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LITHUANIA UNLIKELY TO RESIST

ACCEPTANCE OF DEMANDS ANTICIPATED

Cabinet Disapproves Of Polish Ultimatum But Majority for Peace

Kovno, Mar. 18.
The majority of the Lithuanian Cabinet is reported to favour acceptance of Poland's demands.

For a time, yesterday, it seemed that Poland and Lithuania would fail to reach agreement, for the Lithuanian reply to the first Polish ultimatum was not considered satisfactory in Warsaw. The Polish Government gave the Cabinet at Kovno 48 hours to make up its mind.

The Lithuanians, while expressing disapproval of the Polish taste in presenting their demands as an ultimatum, now appear willing to surrender.

The Lithuanian Foreign Minister, M. Stasys Lozoraitis, will announce Lithuania's decision at a meeting of the Diet tomorrow afternoon.

The ultimatum expires at 8 p.m. G.M.T. to-day.—*Reuter*.

POLISH ARMY CHIEF GIVEN BIG WELCOME

Warsaw, Mar. 18.
The Inspector-General of the Polish army arrived at Vilna to-day, and was welcomed enthusiastically by great crowds.—*Reuter Bulletin*.

POLAND MAY MARCH DESPITE ACCEPTANCE OF HER ULTIMATUM

Warsaw, Mar. 18.
Poland's war fever reached its peak at a huge mass meeting engineered by Marshal Pilsudski of legionnaires at Vilna. Here it was demanded that Poland invade Lithuania in spite of credible reports that Lithuania will accede to Poland's demands, contained in an ultimatum.

The meeting passed a resolution demanding that Poland be given access to the Baltic by way of the River Nemun; and also demanded the elimination of Lithuania as a state.

It is disclosed the ultimatum expires at 11 p.m. to-day.—*United Press*.

KOVNO AUTHORITIES BECOMING ANXIOUS

Kovno, Mar. 18.
As a result of the population's increasing bitterness, additional police are guarding Polish institutions, offices and buildings. The authorities have banned demonstrations, and have prohibited the sale of intoxicants after 8 p.m.—*United Press*.

British Ship Reported To Be Torpedoed

Pergignan, Mar. 18.
It is reported that an alleged blockade runner, a British freighter named Clifford, was torpedoed off Cape Corbiere at 1 p.m. to-day.—*United Press*.

ON LICENSING BOARD

The Hon. Mr. J. A. Fraser, M.C., J.P., has been appointed Official Member and Vice-Chairman of the Licensing Board during the absence from Hongkong of the Hon. Mr. C. G. Abbott, M.C., J.P.

Brazilian Nazi Coup Thwarted By Swift Raid

Rio de Janeiro, Mar. 18.
Thousands of Green Shirts were arrested by the police after discovery of a plot to assassinate the President and other high officials to-day.

The plot extended throughout the country. The chief of the Green Shirts has fled the country.

Among material seized in the house of the Green Shirt chief were 3,000 daggers marked with a swastika, and large quantities of ammunition.—*Reuter Bulletin*.

APPEALING TO SPAIN TO PREVENT AIR RAIDS

Britain, France To Enlist Support Of Vatican

London, Mar. 18.
Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Prime Minister, speaking in the House of Commons to-day, expressed horror and disgust over the Barcelona raids by the Insurgents in which hundreds of civilians were killed, and said the French and British governments had agreed to appeal to both parties in Spain to stop such bombardments, and the French Government had approached the Vatican with a view to obtaining its association with the appeal.—*Reuter Bulletin*.

FRENCH OFFICIAL KILLED

Barcelona, Mar. 18.
The French Vice-Consul at Barcelona, M. Le Coutouze, was killed in to-day's air raid.

The French Consul-General, M. Pinet, was wounded.

Hitler Makes Sure of Plebiscite Victory

JAPANESE MEETING SAVAGE DEFENCE

Heavy Fighting In South Shantung

Hankow, Mar. 19.

The Chinese military headquarters has issued the following communique: "A Japanese force, numbering between five and six thousand men, is attempting to encircle Tenghsien on the Tientsin-Pukow railway in southern Shantung, but is meeting with bitter resistance from the Chinese forces."

"Chinese reinforcements have been despatched to this section from Hsuehew and they are making a counter-offensive in an attempt to turn back the Japanese advance. Meanwhile, Chinese forces operating east of the Tientsin-Pukow railway in southern Shantung, have recaptured several villages east of the Yellow River."

"Japanese troops, assisted by tanks and over 20 armoured cars, made several attempts to recapture these villages, but were repulsed. Japanese troops in this sector are pushing into south-eastern Shantung along the motor road, under cover of artillery, but Chinese troops are putting up a very stubborn resistance. Over 2,000 Japanese reinforcements are moving down the Linzi-Luhsien highway to support the Japanese advance in this sector."

"In southern Shansi, the Japanese forces along the north bank of the Yellow River, in the vicinity of Maosintu and Pinelu, are pushing southward, and only a small number of Japanese troops are remaining in Pinlu. Chinese troops which advanced eastward of Pinelu, immediately engaged about 700 Japanese who were retreating northward, and fighting is still progressing."

CONFUSING MOVEMENTS
"About 2,000 Japanese troops are moving back and forth between (Continued on Page 5.)"

STOP PRESS

CHINESE PLANES ACTIVE

Hsuehew, Mar. 18.
A Squadron of Chinese planes subjected Japanese troops to a severe bombing yesterday afternoon, causing no fewer than 1,000 casualties and the destruction of over 10 tanks and armoured cars.

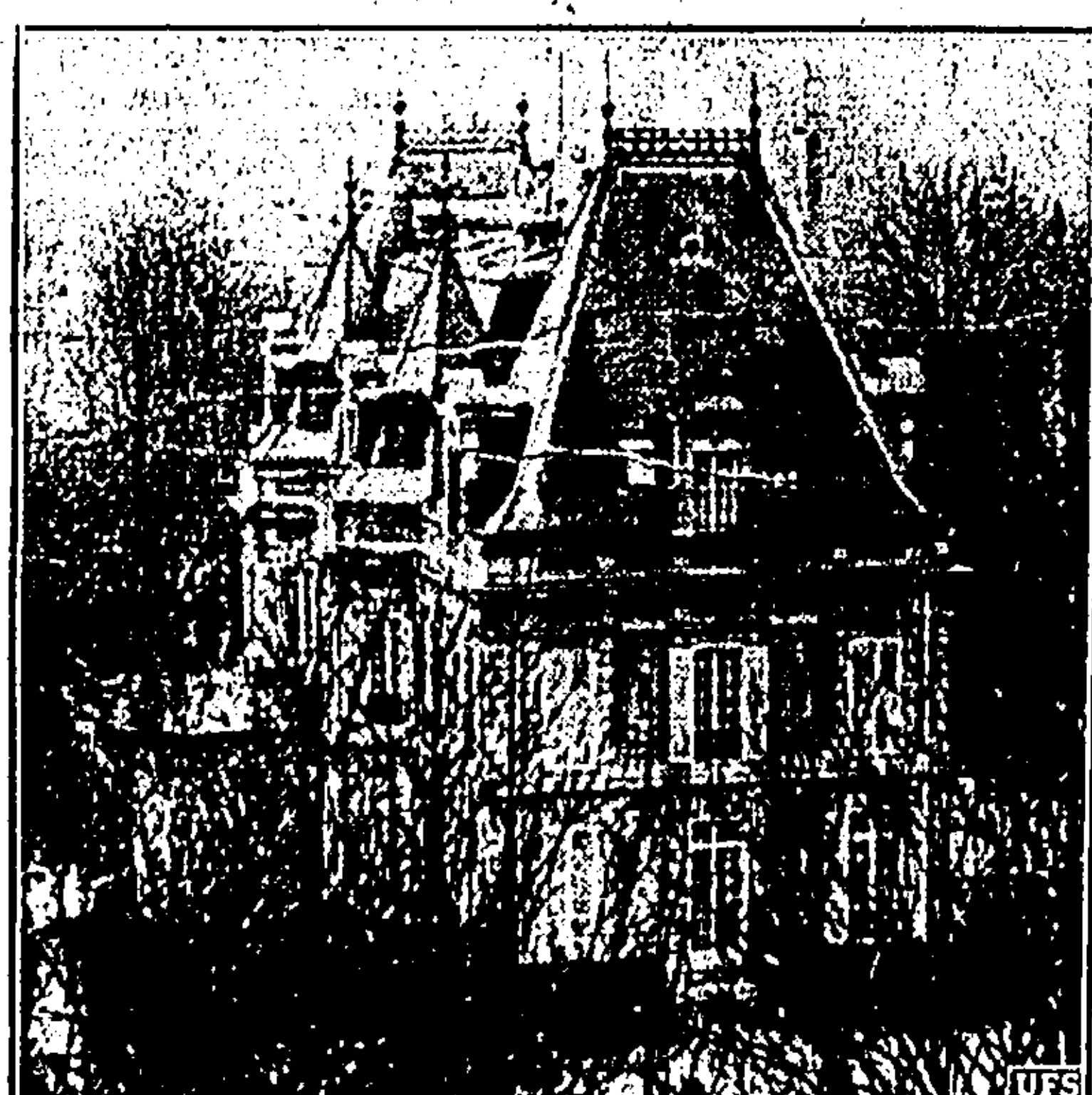
While returning to their base, the Chinese raiders encountered over 10 Japanese planes, which had bombed Hsuehew. They shot both down. One crashed at Tawangmiao on the east bank of the Wei Lake, the two airmen being both killed, whilst the other crashed inside Tenghsien city.

Further on the Chinese planes encountered another Japanese plane which they succeeded in shooting down.—*Central News*.

CZECHO-SLOVAKIA TO GIVE GERMAN REPRESENTATION

Prague, March 18.
The Czechoslovakian Government has decided to introduce a Bill granting to the 2,800,000 Sudeten a proportionate share in local and national administration.

For example, in the National Government, the Germans are entitled to 22 per cent of the members, because their percentage of the population.—*United Press*.
(Further Stop Press News on Page 14.)



This is the Chateau de la Maye, near Versailles, France, which the Duke and Duchess of Windsor have leased for six months. It is owned by Mme. Paul Dupuy, American wife of the late French Senator and owner of Parisian newspapers. Recent request by the Duke that his furniture be sent from England, and his trunks from Austria, indicates they plan a long stay.

HONGKONG - TO - LONDON AIR MAIL SPEED UP

As from April 10 the transit time for air mail between Hongkong and London will be reduced to 5½ days, according to advices received here from an authoritative source.

It was originally intended to work the new Hongkong-London service, announced last week, on a seven day basis, compared with the present eight day basis.

But Imperial Airways have announced a speed-up of its Empire Flying Boat Service which will reduce transit times as follows:

London-Alexandria	1 day
London-Karachi	2½ days
London-Bangkok	4½ days
London-Singapore	5½ days
London-Hongkong	5½ days

For the present, Hongkong will connect with the Flying Boat Service at Bangkok, from where passengers and air mail will be flown to the Empire's capital in less than 60 hours actual flying time.

Despite acceleration, flying will be confined to daylight hours and passengers will not be required to sleep aboard the palatial flying boats, though there is sufficient accommodation for 24 berths.

Later it is possible that further acceleration will take place, when night-flying is introduced.

The Telegraph is reliably informed that the giant 25-ton Flying Boats will be placed on the Hongkong route within four months, when all first class mail to and from this Colony will be carried by air without surcharge, as is the case at present with Singapore mail.

It is expected that one of the Flying Boats will visit this Colony, on an experimental flight in June or July.

Imperial Airways, it is understood, is at present deciding between two schemes for the extension to Hongkong. One scheme provides for a through flying boat service from Hongkong to London, which will be entirely separate from the existing service to Singapore with which Hongkong is at present connected by a feeder line. The other plan calls for the utilisation of one of the new flying boats to provide a feeder service between here and Bangkok.

SHIPS IN WIRELESS COMMUNICATION
The following ships are expected to be in wireless communication with the Hongkong Radio Station: Empress of Britain, Mino Maru, Empress of Russia, Gertrude Maerck, President Cleveland, Hangrang, President Jackson, Sagaland, Shengking, Marechal Joffre, Neptune, Vinemoor, Ellersham, Hongkong, Glenagarry, and Shuang.

U. S. Naval Air Power Minimum 3,000 Planes

Washington, Mar. 18.
Congress Representatives to-day amended the Navy Expansion Bill, authorising the Navy to have a minimum, instead of a maximum, of 3,000 aeroplanes.—*Reuter*.

Anglo-Italian Trade Treaty Accomplished

London, Mar. 18.
It is understood that a new trade agreement was reached between Britain and Italy, and signed by Lord Halifax to-day. The agreement is the result of negotiations which have been proceeding quietly for six weeks, and it is expected to have a favourable reaction to the Anglo-Italian political talks.

The agreement is for increasing the coal quota, benefitting South Wales, and also Lancashire cotton. It also raises the quota for British imports into Italy by 27½ per cent.

A new clearing agreement has also been signed which releases a large sum for financing British exports which formerly was devoted to the liquidation of past debts.—*Reuter*.

POLITICAL TALKS PROGRESS

Rome, Mar. 18.
Diplomatic circles understand that Lord Perth, British Ambassador to Rome, and Count Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister have progressed beyond expectations in the Anglo-Italian political talks, and it is believed they have already agreed in principle on the chief questions concerned with a mutual understanding.

ALL OF GERMANY TO VOTE ON ISSUE OF AUSTRIAN LOYALTY

German Army Defends His Decisions, Hitler Says

Berlin, Mar. 18.

Herr Adolf Hitler, German Chancellor, made his speech in the Reichstag this evening in connection with the Austria coup, when he announced that the whole of Germany would vote in the Austria plebiscite on April 4, and that a new Reichstag would be elected the same day.

Herr Hitler declared that the creation of an Austrian rump State was the rape of 6,500,000 people, the tragedy of which was that Austria was a structure which could not live. Where Germans were concerned, the mere hope of returning home was stamped as a crime, but right must stay right, even in the case of Germans. Who can wonder that these people took their rights in their own hands. Nations are the creation of God, but the League of Nations was a very doubtful construction of human weakness, covetousness and self-interest. Long after the League has disappeared, nations will continue to exist. The League of Nations could only have sense if it adapted its morals to a higher morality.

DOMINIONS INFORMED OF EVENTS IN EUROPE

But Consultations Not Attempted

London, Mar. 18.

Whitehall is keeping the Dominions fully informed on every phase of the European situation, and while nothing in the nature of formal consultations have taken place, it is understood that Neville Chamberlain has been informally kept cognisant of the views of the Dominions' cabinets which are following developments in events very closely.

The shock created by Herr Adolf Hitler's action in Austria is believed to have led to a revival of the suggestion that the time has come for a sincere discussion which should precede any talk of action. If, therefore, Germany was still intransigent, then action should be discussed with the conviction that all possible steps had been taken to ameliorate the general position.

This action would then be likely to acquire the whole-hearted support of the democracies of the world. Enquiries suggest that there is a distinct reluctance on the part of some of these democracies to lose a single man in the defence of France's assurances to Czechoslovakia. While supporting every step for preparedness for any event, it is emphasised in some quarters that preparedness should be accompanied by unqualified attempts at reconciliation, which, to be successful, cannot be longer delayed.—*Reuter*.

CANADA NOT ASKED FOR OPINION

Ottawa, Mar. 18.
Asked to comment on reports from London indicating that the British Government was awaiting information from the Dominions regarding their attitude towards British foreign policy, Mr. W. L. Mackenzie King, Canadian Prime Minister, said: "Canada has not been asked for an expression of opinion, and none has been given."

Germany was again a world power, but which world-power could look on calmly when millions of its people at its frontier were ill-treated? There are times when a proud nation cannot look on any further.

Referring to the Berchtesgaden talks, Herr Hitler said that he told Dr. von Schuschnigg, then the Austrian Chancellor, that in view of Germany's new power, conditions in Austria would lead to continual revolutionary upheavals, and the time would come when a big nation could no longer look on. He reminded Dr. von Schuschnigg that this was his last attempt. He was determined to defend the rights of his compatriots in Austria with those means which he had always used when justice was denied.

Plebiscite Incredible

If Dr. von Schuschnigg had not changed matters, he would have offered Dr. von Schuschnigg, his hand, but the Austrian rejected it, and there could be no more doubts that Dr. von Schuschnigg was determined to break the agreement. The first rumours of the plebiscite appeared to them incredible.

Herr Hitler said the elections in Austria would have been great swindle, because Dr. von Schuschnigg knew full well that he had only a (Continued on Page 5.)

Anti-Nazis In Protective Custody

Schuschnigg Not Safe Among Viennese, Says Report

Berlin, Mar. 18.

It is semi-officially announced from Vienna that Dr. Kurt von Schuschnigg, former Austrian Chancellor, is still at his former residence at Belvedere Castle, and that he can move freely in the castle grounds, but a limitation of his movements might become necessary, "because his safety could not be guaranteed owing to the feelings of the Viennese against Schuschnigg."

He enjoys every comfort and is quite well, adds the report. Similar measures have been taken in respect to President Mikulas, Duke von Habsburg, who is also at the Belvedere, and who is also under a similar restriction. It is reported that the Austrian Government is preparing to move to Vienna, and that the Austrian Government is preparing to move to Vienna, and that the Austrian Government is preparing to move to Vienna.

Victoria Chappelle and Papworth
report on the Paris Dress Shows

2. HATS WILL BE EASIER TO WEAR



- Two-inch-thick of "tambourine" variety, in felt, from Louise Bourbon. Curved over the face, it has finely worked top and fitted bandeau hiding the hair at back.
- Like a man's silk hat with crushed-in top, filled with bright red poppies and field flowers, is this black felt, also from the Louise Bourbon collection. Note square back bandeau.
- Coy, feminine, flat as a wheel, this white chip straw hat is an Erik model. Streamers of thick silk rain-bow ribbon sweep down the back from a double bow.
- Dominating for six inches high in black felt. Worn over a draped turquoise blue jersey cap. Seen in Rose Valois' collection, and designed to be worn with first early spring suits.
- With old-fashioned coquetry in every line, this white chip bonnet comes from Erik. Tied under chin with black satin streamers, draped with yards of black lace veil.
- French Foreign Legionnaires unknowingly supplied inspiration for Rose Valois hat sketched here. Black felt, with blue ribbon band and the famous Legionary veil at back.

Think before you Speak

This is Lady Benson's advice
to Amateur Actors

THE finest actor in the world is useless on the stage unless he can be heard. Nothing is more annoying to an audience than to have to strain their ears to hear the dialogue. It is the custom nowadays to gabble in ordinary conversation and to speak in a sloppy way without finishing words. This is bad enough in private life, but on the stage it is unpardonable.

ONE of the chief reasons for faulty elocution in beginners is that they do not take enough breath. They try to get through a long speech with the minimum of breath

and so peter out and gradually become inaudible. Many have the idea that the breath must be taken in through the nose with closed lips. This is a fallacy. It is impossible to fill your lungs in this way, and, as a matter of fact, gives you an expression of inhaling a bad smell.

BRING your voice to the front of your mouth. To do this, there is no reason to push out the lips, which should be flexible and supple.

If you sound your final consonants and take enough breath the smallest whisper will be heard all over the house. It is not always volume that travels—it is articulation. If you shout the pleasant tones of your voice disappear and you end by ranting.

Learn to get light and shade into your voice, varying the pace as you mean to play.

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You'll have to do a good deal of picking and choosing this spring—and you'd better see about that new hair-dressing, too.

First as to heights and shapes.

Any height between six inches and a fraction of an inch. And as I've told you before, watch for crowns and brims to flatten as spring goes on.

SHAPES? Most important at the moment is the hat with a new Mexican brim, like a very exaggerated Breton.

New "tambourine" hat promises to be popular. Sometimes made more wearable by being curved over nose. But you can have a flat one, with centre cut out and your hair pulled through.

Boaters and berets are shown—the former sometimes having very large brims.

ROLLED brims are in—the more like tyres they are the better. Plenty of brimmed easy-to-wear hats turned down in front and up at back, and with crowns of a depth which will not give you more than five minutes' uneasiness.

THE new felt sports hats are gems. Really new—with crowns cut into points or curves divided by flat piece which looks like a narrow road with two steep ravines on each side of it.

Veils are back. Shoulder-length; nose-length draping big straw hats; falling behind the head; on one shoulder; some hanging from beneath the hat, others thrown over.

Spotted, flounced, simple or elaborate.

LOOK After Your LOOKS

—While You're Spring Cleaning

JUST because you've decided to refuse all invitations and see nobody till the spring cleaning is done, don't think you can afford to neglect yourself.

Besides, it won't seem so much like hard work if you know you're looking attractive, and you're bound to catch sight of yourself when you are polishing the mirrors.

First of all, if you're in the habit of using make-up, don't leave it off—put it on thicker if anything—it will protect your skin.

Use a thick foundation cream, rub it well in and powder the whole surface of your face. A touch of vaseline on your eyelashes and eyebrows, a dash of lipstick to brighten and protect your lips. Push up your waves, pin up your curls; tie the brightest handkerchief you possess round your head; then you'll feel good for a start.

One more minute—to safeguard your hands. You have, of course, filed your nails shorter than usual and, if you can, you'll work in rubber gloves. If you feel you can't do the work properly in gloves, keep a bottle of glycerine and rose water (two parts rose water to one part glycerine) by the sink.

Make a point of using it every time your hands have been in water, then dig your nails into the soap before you start work again. The soap will prevent dirt from getting embedded under the nails and if you rub a little cream round each nail as well, just giving the cuticle a quick press back as you do it, your hands should not suffer at all.

If you find they are beginning to look dry and shrivelled you must sleep in gloves each night while the spring cleaning's on and be extravagant with your skin food. You may have bought it for your face, but hands are important, too.

A Revelation for Stomach Distress

The Right Way and Quickest Way to Relieve the Cause, Excess Acidity

If you are one of the many thousands who suffer from Stomach Distress, Gas on the Stomach, Distress after Meals—here's good news for you! There is now a sure, safe, and easy way for you to get quick, lasting relief!

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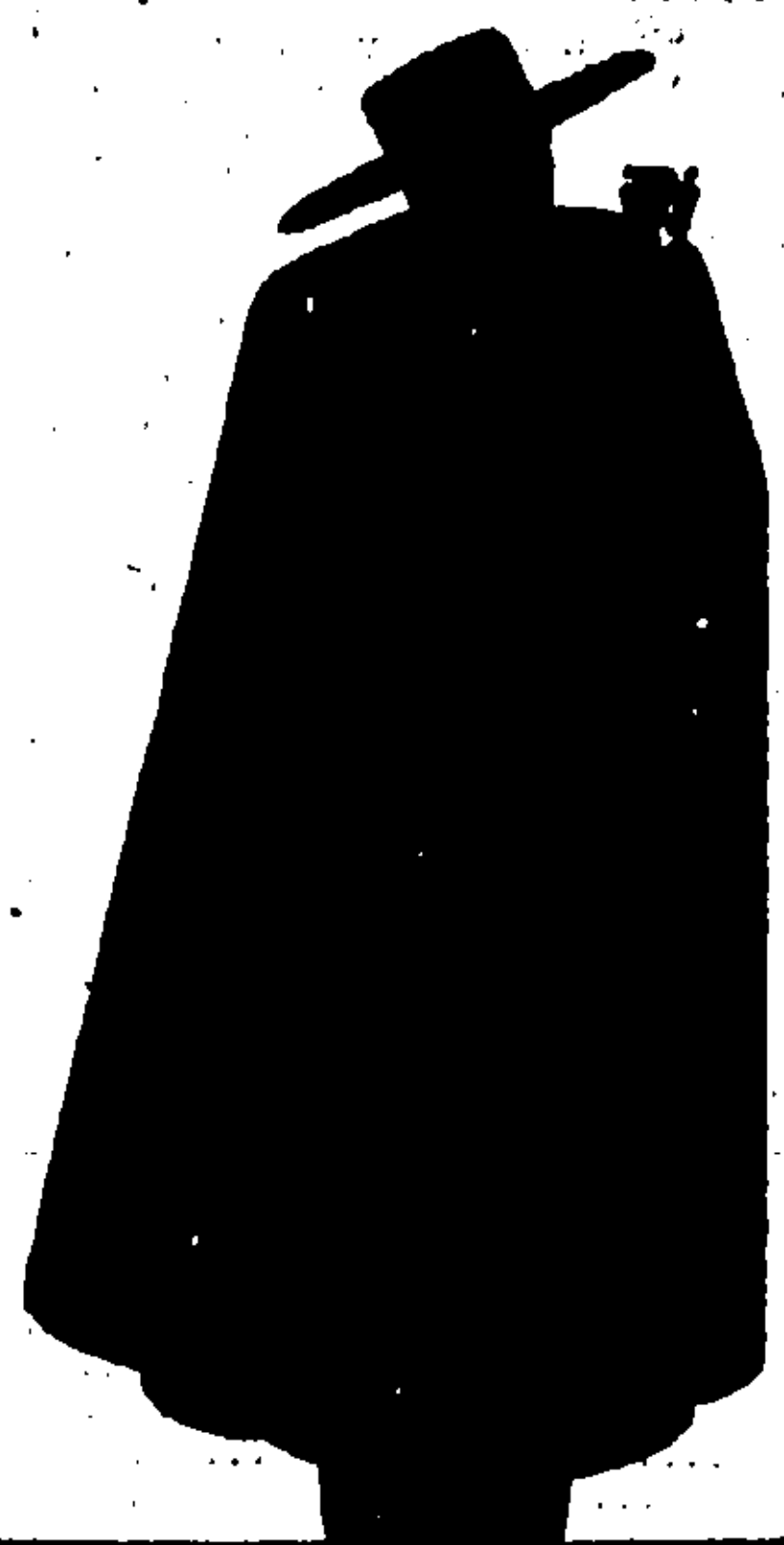
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British Camera Spies Working For Foreigners In Warplane Factories

By VICTOR BURNETT

Following a warning that young Englishmen in the pay of foreign agents have been visiting aircraft works and taking photographs, the Air Ministry have placed a ban on the carrying of cameras by visitors to factories making war planes for the Government.

It is now known that there has been a serious outbreak of attempted espionage in several factories.

Many people consider that the plans which disappeared from the Parnall factory and were never recovered found their way into the hands of foreign agents.

A few weeks ago representatives of a certain foreign embassy in London found that they could not enter military aircraft factories. An unofficial ban had been placed on them.

TWO CAUGHT

Shortly afterwards a notice was circulated to aircraft manufacturers saying that extra care would have to be taken about visitors.

In this notice it was disclosed that the agents of the embassy, finding that they could not enter factories themselves, were paying young Englishmen to visit factories for them.

Many of these men had been supplied with miniature cameras.

Two men were caught in a factory recently. Both of them had cameras. As the man in charge of the hangar had then received no notice of the Ministry warning he let them go.

Then, last week, a new rule was made.

It states that nobody shall be allowed to visit a factory without a written Air Ministry pass.

Application for this pass must be made at least a fortnight before the proposed visit, and full reasons must be given.

The majority of the Government contracting factories have now strengthened their private police and watch forces.

Dr. C. T. Wang Decorated



Order of Polonia Restituta, highest honour of the Polish Government, was presented in Washington to Dr. Chenting T. Wang, right, Chinese Ambassador to the United States, by Count Jerzy Potocki, the Polish Ambassador. Honour was for Dr. Wang's services in international friendship.

'Iron Lung' War On Asthma

NEW treatment for asthma, one of the most common diseases in the world, is being tried by a famous London hospital.

It may spell the doom of the disease.

An "iron lung" for asthma patients has been installed at Guy's Hospital.

The patient is put into the "allergen free room," as it is known, for several hours.

IN SEALED CHAMBER

It is an hermetically sealed chamber. Whatever weather conditions outside may be a uniform circulation of air is maintained.

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It is cleaned by means of air conditioning.

After treatment in the allergen free room patients will be kept under special observation and treated to laboratory tests.

Bing Goes Mae West

A sensation was caused here recently when it became known that Paramount Pictures had given notice cancelling the contracts whereby they have sold throughout the world films starring Mae West and Bing Crosby.

These have been made by Emanuel Cohen, president of Major Pictures Studios, for Paramount to sell to cinemas, and the notice means that no more Mae West or Bing Crosby films will be produced for the time being.

Major Studios—formerly Vitaphone Studios, where Warner Brothers developed talking pictures—have been closed and the staff of 75 dismissed.

Mr. Cohen threatens a suit for damages, claiming that his agreement has 18 months to run, and alleging lack of co-operation in carrying out the agreement to produce 18 films a year at a cost of up to £150,000 each.

Another Jules Verne Dream Coming True

In consultation with the inventor, whose identity is being kept a close secret, French technicians have for some time past been subjecting to the severest tests an invention that may revolutionise warfare.

One of the most fantastic dreams of Jules Verne, the flying submarine, is on the verge of becoming real, and in a form far more ambitious than anything Verne imagined, for the new craft will be able to operate on the surface of the sea, below it and in the air.

Large-scale models are being tested in part of a French dockyard, from which all unauthorized persons are kept out, by some of the cleverest technicians of the French Government.

The design for the craft was submitted to the French Government over a year ago by a young man, who was afterwards asked to place himself at the disposal of the Government.

Failure was the first result, but persistence has at last brought success.

Plans have been approved and orders are now being placed for the construction of six of the new machines to be used for training purposes.

It is claimed that the new machine will be invaluable as a substitute for submarines operating in distant waters.

As a seaplane it will be able to reach the scene of operations at a speed at least twenty times greater than that of the ordinary submarine, while it will also be able to hide under the water.

Krupps Profits Up

Berlin. The Krupp works at Essen—the "Armstrong of the Reich"—had an exceptionally busy time last year. The annual report shows:

Gross revenue increased by 11 per cent. to £28,350,000.

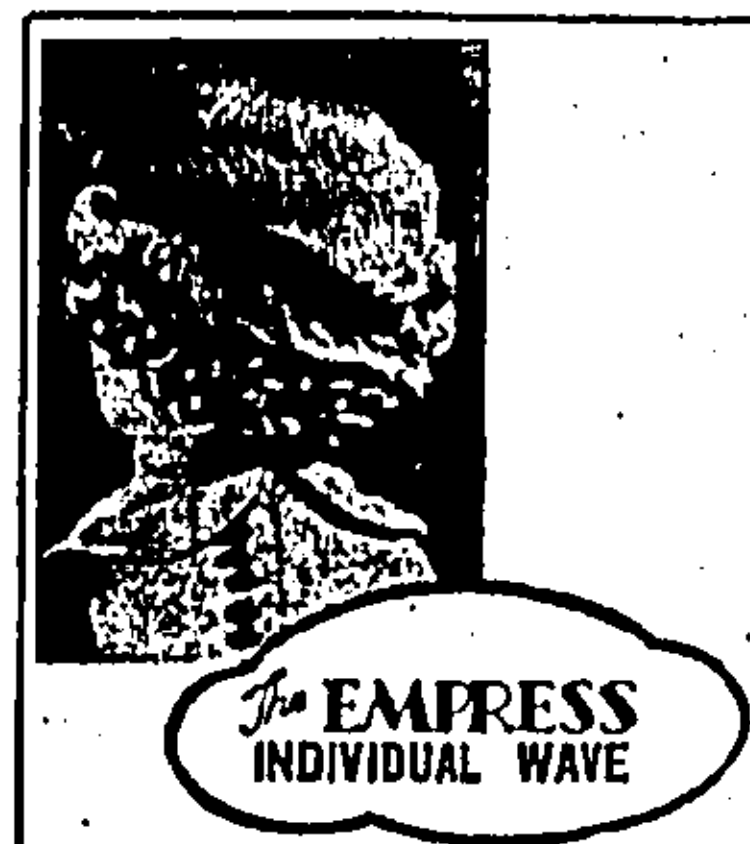
Profits amounted to £1,400,000, compared with £1,100,000 the previous year.

The dividend raised from 4 to 5 per cent.

Profits of the Krupp shipyard at Kiel were £17,000, compared with £20,000 last year.—Reuter.

Governors Get Bibles

Springfield, Mo. A women's church club here has sent Bibles to governors of the 48 states and asked that they be read daily in the state penitentiaries.



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- 4 OR 12 CAKES OF ASST. SOAP
- 2 STICKS OF SHAVING SOAP
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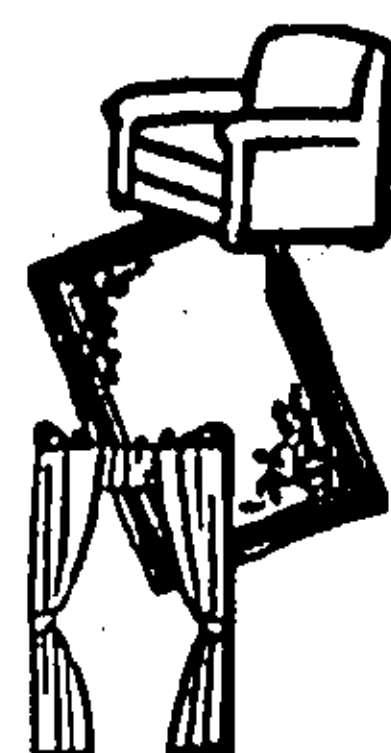
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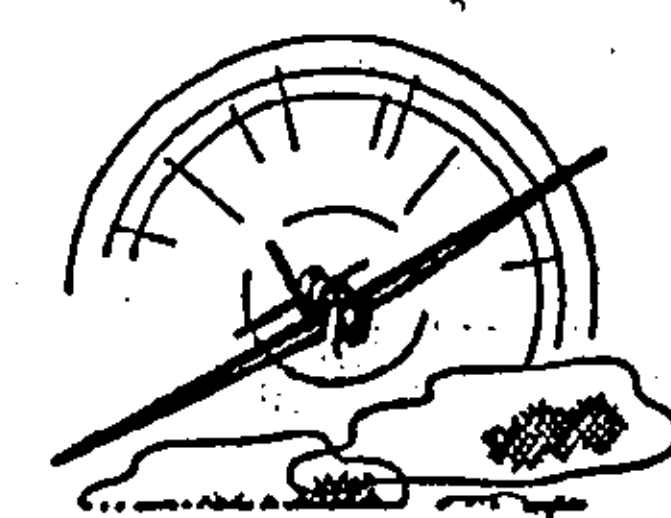
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New York, Mar. 18.
S. C. & F. Dow Jones summary of yesterday's markets:

In the course of to-day there was heavy liquidation, which equalled the 1935 levels. The nerves of the Street are on edge concerning the European situation and there was much dumping of stocks before the publication of Herr Hitler's speech. Others are worried about the tension between Poland and Lithuania. Foreign interests sold American stocks, although international houses said that such selling was light. There are revived rumours that the gold standard would be junked in the event of war. Towards the close of the market, there was a further terrific selling onslaught.

S. C. & F. New York correspondent cables:

Stocks: The market was again weak. A technical rally is possible, but we expect subsequent further weakness. Bank clearings for the week were off by 25.5%.

Cotton: Herr Hitler's speech was not enlightening and the market is still under a cloud of uncertainty, liquidation and stop-loss selling, which are accentuated by hedging and Bombay straddle sales. Export and consumption forecasts are not encouraging. Forwardings to mills for the week total 241,000 bales.

Wheat: Exports to the extent of 400,000 bushels have been confirmed and considerable foreign buying of futures is reported. However, while the European political situation is serious, export demand does not yet apparently reflect actual fear of war.

Corn: 400,000 bushels were bought for export and additional sales are reported. The food spot demand is partly due to the fact that the country movement of the crop is hampered by the prevailing bad weather conditions.

Rubber: Further selling to-day was attributed to London and to general liquidation. Trade support was insufficient.

Sugar: The market to-day was firm and active on aggressive Cuban short-covering together with a small sprinkling of fresh buying. Selling was confined to scale-up liquidation. Dow Jones Averages: Low Close 20 Industrials 122.03 118.41 20 Rails 24.54 22.75 20 Utilities 18.15 17.68 40 Bonds 87.18 86.52 11 Commodity Index 52.29 52.06

EXCHANGE RATES

	Mar. 17.	Mar. 18.
Paris	100%	100%
Geneva	21.63%	21.63%
Berlin	12.75%	12.75%
Athens	54.7%	54.7%
Milan	94%	94%
Oslo	10.90	10.90
Copenhagen	22.40	22.40
Stockholm	10.42	10.42
Helsingfors	22.0%	22.0%
Shanghai	1/2%	1/2%
New York	4.00%	4.00%
Vienna	8.9%	8.9%
Amsterdam	141%	142%
Prague	141%	142%
Madrid	110%	110%
Lisbon	110%	110%
Hongkong	1/2%	1/2%

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The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 26th MARCH to 13th APRIL, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board.

A. W. HUGHES,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 14th March, 1938.

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A. W. HUGHES,
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Hongkong, 14th March, 1938.

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The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 26th MARCH to 13th APRIL, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board.

A. W. HUGHES,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 14th March, 1938.

Bombay	1/6%	1/6%
Montreal	4.93%	4.93%
Brussels	29.55%	29.44%
Yokohama	1/11%	1/11%
Belgrade	21%	21%
Bucharest	0.77%	0.77%
Montevideo	21%	21%
Rio de Janeiro	21%	21%
Silver (Spot)	20%	20%
Silver (forward)	20%	20%
War Loan	100%	100%

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company (since registration) will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, the 22nd MARCH, 1938, at 11.30 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st OCTOBER, 1937.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, the 12th MARCH, 1938, to TUESDAY, the 22nd MARCH, 1938, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
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Hongkong, 4th March, 1938.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of the Company, 2 Queen's Building, Hongkong, on Monday, 28th March, 1938, at Noon for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1937.

The Share Register and Transfer Book will be closed from 12th to 28th March, 1938, both days inclusive.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

E. COCK,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 3rd March, 1938.

THE HONGKONG FIRE
INSURANCE CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders.

The Sixty-ninth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Tuesday, the 29th March, 1938, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1937.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 15th to the 29th March, 1938, both days inclusive.

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 24th March to 14th April inclusive.

By order of the Board.

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Hon. Secretary,
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NOTICE

Rents Commission

Notice is hereby given that the Commission will conclude the hearing of evidence on Thursday, 24th March. Letters for consideration must reach the Commission not later than Wednesday, 23rd March.

R. J. MINNITT,
Secretary to the Commission.

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Navy: The Naval Chaplain Fund for Seamen;
Army: The Garrison Ladies Help Society; The Garrison Welfare Fund;

Civilians: The Street Sleepers Shelter Fund; The Hongkong Benevolent Society.

The following well-known local artists will be amongst those contributing to the programme: Miss Anne Winter, the Raeburn Kiddies, The Great Zeno, Willy Simpson, Bill Raeburn, Gaston D'Aquino, H. Wiggins, "Jimmy" and his "Boys" from H.M.S. Suffolk and H.M.S. Mayday's Concert Party.

These artists are drawn from the Naval, Military and Civilian population, and in order that it may approximate as nearly as possible to the Music Hall of pre-war days, the ground floor of the China Fleet Club Theatre will be laid out with tables, each seating four persons, and if so desired two or more tables could be put together to accommodate larger parties, the charges being \$2.50 per person.

The Chairman will have a table just before the stage, and will keep order and announce the items from there by banging on the table with his hammer.

In addition to the all-star programme of singing, dancing and bonnie stuff, we are putting on the famous sketch, "A Sister to Assist" with Evelyn Fullerton and Willie Simpson as the players. An impression of what "Amateurs' Night" was like will also be given. In the "Good Old Days" that was the night of nights. Many of the old stars started their stage careers in that way, but a very great number never got any farther than the Chairman's "Hook," this was a long bamboo pole with a hook at the end and was used for pulling not-so-good turns off the stage, the signal being given by the chairman.

Space does not permit of giving greater particulars of the "show", but booking is open at the Anderson Music Shop.

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July	8.88 / 88	8.61 / 64
Oct.	8.84 / 84	8.67 / 69
Dec.	8.95 / 95	8.69 / 70
Jan.	8.98 / 98	8.71 / 74
Mar. (1939)	8.97 1/2 / 91 1/2	8.73 N
Spot		8.60

	New York Rubber	
Mar.	14.03 1/2 / 10 1/2	13.70 / 75 1/2
May	14.13 / 13	13.84 / 85
July	14.24 / 26	13.96 / 101
Sept.	14.40 / 40	14.23 / 25
Dec.	14.41 N	14.31 N

Sales for the day—3,710 tons.
Chicago Wheat

May	87 / 87 1/2	88 1/4 / 88
July	84 1/2 / 84 1/2	85 1/2 / 85 1/2
Sept.		85 1/2 / 85 1/2

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15,602,000 bushels.
Chicago Corn

May	39 1/2 / 39 1/2	61 / 60 1/2
July	61 1/2 / 61 1/2	61 1/2 / 61 1/2
Sept.		62 1/2 / 62 1/2

Winnipeg Wheat

May	120 / 120 1/2	120 1/2 / 120 1/2
July	111 1/4 / 111 1/4	111 1/4 / 111 1/4
Oct.		93 1/2 / 93 1/2

"AVIATION IN FAR EAST"
The next meeting of the H.K. University Engineering Society will be held in Room K of the Main Building, on Monday, March 21, at 8.45 p.m., when Mr. A. J. R. Moss, Civil Superintendent of Kai Tak Airport, will deliver a lecture on "Aviation in the Far East" illustrated with lantern slides. All interested are cordially welcome.

CHURCH NOTICES

METHODIST CHURCH

Meeting of House Committee
On Wednesday

SUNDAY SERVICES

The following are the forthcoming services, etc., at the Methodist Church, Wanchai:

Sunday Services, March 20.
Preacher: Rev. Frank Short.
Morning Service at 10.15 at the English Methodist Church, Hymns 32, 100, 414, 303, 590.
Evening Service at 7 p.m. at the English Methodist Church, Hymns 745, 742, 417, 991.

Notices for the Week

1. Following the Evening Service, a Social Hour will be held at 8.15. Refreshments are provided. Minimum charges for Servicemen and civilians are warmly welcomed.

2. The Badminton Club meets on Monday and Thursday at 7.30 p.m. Further particulars from the Secretary of the "S. & S. Home."

3. There will be a meeting of the House Committee on Wednesday, March 23 at 5.30 p.m. in the Assembly Hall of the "S. & S. Home."

4. There will be a meeting of the Working Party of the Ladies Church Aid on Monday, March 21 at 3 p.m.

UNION CHURCH

Annual General Meeting
On Thursday

JUMBLE SALE ON FRIDAY

The following are the forthcoming services, etc., at the Union Church:

Morning Service 10.30 a.m. Evening Service 6 p.m.

Preacher at Morning Service, Rev. A. Maclellan, Canton. Evening Service, Rev. K. Mackenzie Dow.

There will be a meeting of the Management Committee at the close of the Morning Service.

The S.A.C. meets in the Church Hall on Tuesday evening at 7.30 p.m. A Jumble Sale will be held in the Church Hall on Friday, March 25, at 2.30 p.m. Contributions will be gladly received at the Church Hall any time before that date.

The Annual General Meeting of Union Church, Hongkong will be held in the Church Hall on Thursday, March 24, at 9 p.m. Supper will be served at 8 p.m.

The Helena May Christian Fellowship meets in the Institute on Friday morning at 10.30 a.m. The speaker for the Lenten Course is Rev. J. L. Wilson, Dean of St. John's Cathedral.

LESSON SERMON

First Church of Christ,
Scientist, Hongkong

SUBJECT: MATTER

The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science Churches, to-morrow—March 20—will be: "Matter."

The Golden Text will be: "Tremble, thou earth, at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the God of Jacob." (Ps. 114: 7). Among others the following citations will be read from the Bible: "Oh, that my words were now written on that they were printed in a book. For I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth: and though after my skin, worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God." (Job. 19: 23, 25, 26).

The following citations will also be read from the Christian Science Textbook: "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy: "The one important interpretation of Scripture is the spiritual. For example, the text, 'In my flesh shall I see God,' gives profound idea of the divine power to heal the ills of the flesh and encourages mortals to hope in Him, who healeth all our diseases, whereas this passage is continually quoted as if Job intended to declare that even if disease and worms destroyed his body, yet in the latter days he should stand in celestial perfection before Elohim, still clad in material flesh, an interpretation which is just the opposite of the true, as may be seen by studying the book of Job, as Paul says, in his first epistle to the Corinthians, 'Flesh and blood cannot inherit the Kingdom of God.' (1 Cor. 15: 50-51)."

Announcement
First Church of Christ Scientist, Hongkong, a Branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ Scientist, in Boston, Mass., Macdonnell Road, close to Train Station. Sunday Service 11.15 a.m. The Sunday School is held at 10 a.m. Testimony Meeting, Wednesday, 8 p.m. A Reading Room is located at Bank of East Asia Building, 10 Des Voeux Road Central, and is open on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m., 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., and 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Wednesday from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. All authorized Christian Science Literature is available at the Reading Room. The public is cordially invited to attend Room.

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Saturday, 3.30 p.m. Fellowship Meeting followed by the Lord's Supper. Subject: Galatians I.
Sunday, 11 a.m. Divine Service. Preacher: Mr. Eaton, C.I.M., arriving by train from Hongkong at 10.30 a.m. 8.30 p.m. Service in Mandarin. Preacher: Mr. Andrew Glib. 8 p.m. Song Service. Miss Frances McCall will sing. 7.30 p.m. Gospel Service. Preacher: Mr. Andrew Glib. Subject: "FROM BUDDHA TO CHRIST."

POST OFFICE.

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OUTWARD MAIL TIMES

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INWARD MAILS

From	Per	Due
Haiphong	G. G. Paul Doumer	March 19.
Air Mail by "Pan American Airways Direct Service"—San Francisco	Pan American Airways Plane	March 19.
date, 11th March.		
Shanghai and Amoy	Sinking	March 19.
Shanghai and Swatow	Szechuen	March 19.
Shanghai and Swatow	Tsinan	March 19.
Shanghai	Yochow	March 19.
Shanghai	Glenishel	March 20.
Calcutta and Straits	Hosang	March 20.
Japan and Shanghai	Marechal Joffre	March 20.
Saigon	Sphinx	March 20.
Shanghai and Amoy	Tybadak	March 20.
Bangkok	Yingchow	March 21.
Shanghai, Amoy and Swatow	Liangchow	March 21.
Japan	Albert Sarraut	March 21.
Saigon	Eumeneus	March 22.
Straits	Taiyuan	March 22.
Shanghai and Swatow	Van Heutsz	March 22.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Manila	Menechtheus	March 23.
—Seattle date—26th February	Pres. Jefferson	March 23.
Straits	Blutan	March 24.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 16th March.	Imperial Airways Plane	March 24.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Manila (San Francisco date, 23rd Feb.)	Pres. Cleveland	March 24.
Amoy	Sirdhana	March 24.
Japan and Shanghai	Terukuni Maru	March 24.
Java	Tjinalak	March 24.
Japan	Asuta Maru	March 25.

OUTWARD MAILS

For	Per	Date and Time
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Saturday	
Bangkok	Haitan	Sat., Mar. 19, 3 p.m.
Air Mail for "France-Orient Airways Service"—due Marseilles, 3rd April.	Stagen	Sat., Mar. 19, 3.30 p.m.
	Marechal Joffre	Sat., Mar. 19.
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Reg.	March 19, 4 p.m.
	Ord.	March 19, 4.30 p.m.
Saigon, Ceylon, India, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 17th April.	Marechal Joffre	Sat., Mar. 19.
	G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
	Reg.	March 19, 4.15 p.m.
	Ord.	March 19, 5 p.m.
Manila, Straits, *Ceylon, *India, Conte Blancmaneo, *Sat., March 19.	Blancmaneo	Sat., Mar. 19.
*Egypt and *Europe via Naples—due Naples, 11th April	Teucer	Sat., Mar. 19.
	Reg.	March 19, 4.15 p.m.
	Ord.	March 19, 5 p.m.

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3. Liebesleid. Kresler.
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SATURDAY, MARCH 10, 1938.

NEW LESSONS IN PREPAREDNESS

Wing Commander A.H.S. Steele-Perkins, new Air Raid Precautions Officer for Hongkong, has arrived and taken up his important duties. Yesterday, talking with a representative of the *Telegraph*, he explained his purpose: to study local conditions and, applying the technical and detailed knowledge which he has of air defence tactics in England, educate the people of Hongkong in these vital defence measures. As he points out it is his job to see that essential services will continue to operate in any emergency and that the entire population can be made as safe as possible under a threat of attack from aircraft.

But if such officers as Wing Commander Steele-Perkins were the most brilliant of men (and they are picked for their jobs from one of the most efficient services in the world) they would still be helpless to carry out their great work alone. They require above all things the co-operation of the public. They must have the whole-hearted attention of the whole community in which they labour if the greatest benefit is to be derived from their instruction. If the attendance at the recent series of lectures on air raids precautions is any indication, Hongkong's business leaders and persons of responsibility are ready to give all the time and energy required of them. But that is not enough. Every man with a family, or with nothing more than a duty to the community, which he may or may not recognise, and every woman who has the general welfare of the Colony at heart, must be prepared to devote a little time to study and to preparation for a contingency which all will hope will never come, upon Hongkong, but against which it must be prepared. This is not a time for *laissez faire*. That sort of attitude is more contagious than enthusiasm.

There are those who say that there is no defence against poison gas and that, consequently, there is no sense in taking

THOSE who take an interest in games of chance are legion; for all of us are, to a greater or lesser extent, ardent wooers of old Lady Luck. Most of us, however, limit our gambling propensities to a rubber of bridge, a round of Mah-jongg or an occasional fling at the races. Not so with the Chinese, who may be said to have the instincts for gaming much more highly developed than any other people, and who, consequently, can be expected to pay more attention to those little niceties of technique which make the winning or losing of money so much more devilishly pleasurable.

The Chinese, too, have turned their inventive genius to the field of gaming with the result that gambling games played by them are to all intents and purposes so numerous that it would require the acumen of a veritable Hoyle to classify them all. There are, nevertheless, a number which, whilst common, are yet of interest on account of their being frequently seen played on many of the more retired streets of the Colony.

Heads Or Tails

One of the games most commonly seen is variation of our old familiar one of matching pennies, which the Chinese call *kuan-sam-maan*. In theory, too, it is exceptionally simple and it is played by two persons, with coins of various denominations although coppers are most likely to be used. Before the game is started, it is determined which player has the option on the "head" or "tail" side of the coins. In the Cantonese vernacular, the obverse and reverse of a coin are known as the *paak* or "white" and the *woo* or "black," respectively, and moreover, the latter or "tail" side is declared the winning one. In play, first of all, each gamster takes out a coin, places it flat on his palm with the obverse or "head" side showing, and then lets it drop forcibly on the pavement. If the two coins both turn up the same, either "heads" or "tails" they are said to *woh-kwoh*, or to have an equal chance and most consequently be dropped over again, until different sides are displayed. The player who succeeds first in having his coin fall with the "tail" side up is considered the successful punter and has the

precautions to resist so horrible an affliction. That is not the case. The same sort of argument was advanced against vaccination because it was not, in all cases, a guarantee of immunity from smallpox. Neither are precautions a certain safeguard against injury from poison gas. But they do save lives. Without preparedness Hongkong might be decimated by a severe gas attack. By making every possible effort to safeguard the Colony from an enemy who would employ such weapons a large proportion of the population will be made safe.

As in any other sort of education, the level of efficiency depends not upon the teacher so much as upon the individual pupil. For every member of the community there is a lesson to be learned in self-defence. Let us make the most of it.

T. PAUL GREGORY Introduces you to some

CHINESE GAMBLING PASTIMES

To Be Seen Any Day In Our Streets

privilege of carrying on the game as a sort of master of ceremonies. Each player now adds two more coins making a total of four, and the one who was lucky in throwing "tails" lays all four coins on the palm of his hand, "head" side up, and lets them drop. If two should fall "heads" and two "tails," he has to surrender his turn to his opponent. On the other hand, if one coin out of the four should fall with its obverse uppermost, one of the coins which dropped "head" up must be turned over to the successful party as "winning" and who likewise still retains the privilege of casting up the remainder to see how they will fall. Let us suppose that three of the four coins fall "tails" up, then the game is adjudged won, and must be started all over again, so to speak, "from scratch." This game is considered very fair, and is exceedingly popular amongst street urchins and coolies.

Will Try His Luck At Anything

Another diversion for petty gambling which is much indulged in by those who loiter in the streets is the game of *luk-tsai-ngau* or "rolling coins" which is similar to that known amongst Europeans as "pitching pennies." This is, of course, far less complicated than the one described above, although by no means any less popular. The material for play is two coins, each supplied by a participant. One starts the game by rolling his coin on the ground, and the other will do the same by starting at the same place. The one whose coin out-distances the other exercises the privilege of aiming at his opponent's coin with his own, and if the aim is true he wins; otherwise the coins are rolled again.

To be absolutely frank, the Chinese people to a great extent seem to be keener on gambling than upon anything else, and are inclined to try their luck at almost anything which holds the probability of chance in it, whether it be a venture in trade or the outcome of the throw of the dice. It is this propensity which is so often illustrated in the goings-on in the streets, and the curious resident in his strolls about the Colony may see some form of petty gambling practically everywhere.

Even the lowly hawkler will endeavour to attract customers by appealing to their desire to gamble. One highly popular form is a sort of lottery in which numbered coupons are issued for a copper each. In fact, something is certain to be offered for each coupon, and consequently there is a daily harvest of pennies. The prizes may be nothing more than one or two sweets wrapped in gaily coloured paper, or it may on occasion be something worth five cents or more.

The Flower Hawklers' Gamble

A rather unique form of street gambling may be observed every morning at the *Fa-hui* or "Flower Market" at the junction of Nathan Road and Boundary Street in Sham-shui-po. It is conducted by spreading upon the ground a piece of paper or cloth bearing a crude portrayal of the human countenance. After a crowd of spectators have assembled and intimated their desires to bet, the picture is covered up by a plain sheet of cloth and the punters will place the amount of their wagers on it.

saying as they do, "I bet on the ear, nose, right eye, etc." as the case may be. The cloth is carefully lifted up, and if any of the bets placed do approximate the position of anyone of the facial organs designated, the bettor wins; if not, the money goes to the proprietor of the lowly game. It can readily be imagined that in such a form of gambling numberless disputes are bound to occur, but as the conductor of the game is an alert individual, he is not at all perturbed; for to him the more disturbance, the greater his trade, and being exceedingly suave he can readily quell anything which threatens to get out of hand, by the employment of bantering raillery, and the crowd immediately recovers its equilibrium and good temper, and the betting continues.

Indeed, one can scarcely conjecture how the Chinese are able to devise so many ways of gambling. It may be a surprise to some that they even keep birds like thrushes and the Canton robin for the purpose of betting

upon the outcome of specially arranged combats between pairs of the feathered songsters. As in horse racing they may lay a wager upon any favourite they choose, so it is not a little pecuniary advantage to the tea-house or restaurant where these spirited combats between pairs of birds take place.

Besides, there is the mode of gambling by staging fights between cocks, dogs, and even crickets. The latter is the diversion of peculiar fascination to the illiterate masses, although it is not so commonly seen in this Colony owing to the rather stringent law upon the subject.

Gambling incidentally is strictly prohibited with the enforcement of the New Life Movement inaugurated by Chiang Kai-shek. Whether it can be entirely eliminated is still a problem to be solved, since the habit of gambling amongst the Chinese people seems to be more instinctive than acquired, especially amongst the idle, and the classes of comparative leisure and refinement.

When the Bank Clerk Smiled

BANKING is a sober and grave profession, and the bank clerk is usually a very serious person. But he has his moments of levity. Here are some banking stories:—

An old Scottish lady was discussing her son, "Aye, John's in a bank," she said. "He was in a bank before, and it failed. Weel, this new bank has taken over 'a' liabilities. And they just took over John."

During the course of business the bank clerk sometimes has occasion to smile discreetly behind his ledger. This was so in the case of a pretty young lady who presented a crossed cheque to the teller of a Scottish bank. She was a stranger to the bank, and it being impossible to pay cash in the circumstances, the teller said, "I am sorry, miss, but I cannot pay this over the counter."

"Oh, that's all right," said the young lady brightly, "I'll come round to the bank."

"A banker once had occasion to remind a lady that her overdraft would require to be reduced. "How much do I owe you?" said the lady haughtily. "One hundred pounds," said the banker. "I will write you a cheque now," replied the lady.

Overdrafts are the staple material of many good banking stories. Many

of us will sympathise with the lady who walked into a bank, and said, "I would like to open an overdraft, please."

A bank agent of the old school was spending a few days in London with one of his customers. The customer saw in a jeweller's window a bracelet which he fancied would make a suitable present for his wife. "Come away, John," said the banker. "You cannot afford it." "Ah weel," said John, "you ken best."

A bank teller, in cashing a cheque for a lady, said, "How would you like it?" meaning what denomination of notes would she prefer. The lady looked startled and trifle guilty. "Do I have to tell?" she replied.

It is a common joke in industrial cities that corner sites are the monopoly of banks and public-houses, and thirsty folks occasionally call at the wrong place. Many a bank teller has been asked to supply a glass of beer.

More pardonable is the mistake of the old lady who entered a bank and requested an official to trace her nephew who lived "somewhere in America." She had seen a notice in the window which read, "Foreign business transacted."

R. H. B.

"Howls" from the Schoolroom

THE harassed teacher who spends hours correcting essays is not sorry to find a howler now and again to enliven the dreariness of his task. The following tit-bits are culled from the works of some slightly-muddled pupils.

"A crisis," wrote a budding genius, "is a thing which hangs up in the winter and comes down in the summer as a butterfly." On the subject of book-keeping he informed his teacher that: "Book-keeping is the art of not returning books that have been borrowed." "A Republic," in his opinion, "is a country where no one can do anything private."

"King Alfred," wrote another, "went to the Isle of Athelney to escape the Danes." On another occasion he announced, "Hamlet is the leg of a little pig."

From another bright pupil we learn that "Oliver Twist was written by David Copperfield." "A monsoon," says another, "is an animal which eats snakes."

Asked to describe an island, a schoolboy made the following reply:—"An island is a place you can't leave without a boat." "A mermaid," said another young hopeful, "is a lady with a tail who milks cows."

During a Bible lesson the subject of discussion was the Prodigal Son. Telling the story in his own words a pupil said:—"And when the Prodigal Son returned his father said: 'Bring hither the fatted calf!'"

"Posthumous literary works," wrote a young essayist, "are those written after you are dead." "Pneumonic fever," wrote another, "takes off a lot of old men, nowadays."

"Hydra-headed," wrote a well-meaning pupil, "means having many wives. Henry the Eighth was a well-known hydra." "Fiction," says another, "are books which are fixed on the shelves and cannot be removed."

A young historian made the following startling statement:—"The Celts were so called because they used to tell about and would do no work." Later he went on to say that "Finally James II. gave birth to a son. This was the last straw!"

"To germinate," we are told, "is to become a naturalised German. The German Emperor, the statement continues, 'has been called the Geyser.'"

"Tennyson," we are informed by a slightly-muddled pupil, "wrote a poem called 'Graves Energy.' "The Tropic of Cancer," says another, "is a painful and incurable disease."

"The Menai Straits," we learn, "are crossed by a tubercular bridge." Another bright essayist writes:—"The courage of the Turks is explained by the fact that a man is more willing to face death with a lot of wives than if he had only one."

Another "howler" says:—"A man who looks after cows is called a coward (cowherd) but he is usually quite brave." "If the Forth Bridge collapsed, they would build a fifth," is another tit-bit from an essay.

"Lady Godiva was a famous jockey," states a schoolboy. "Joan of Arc," he continues, "was given this title, because after taking Orleans she was married to Noah."

"Hard water," writes another, "is a term applied to alcoholic drinks." "False doctrine," we also learn, "is giving people the wrong medicine."

"A ruminating animal," explains a bright essayist, "is one that chews its cubs." "When people are ill," says another, "they often lose their consciences."

Layna Derwent

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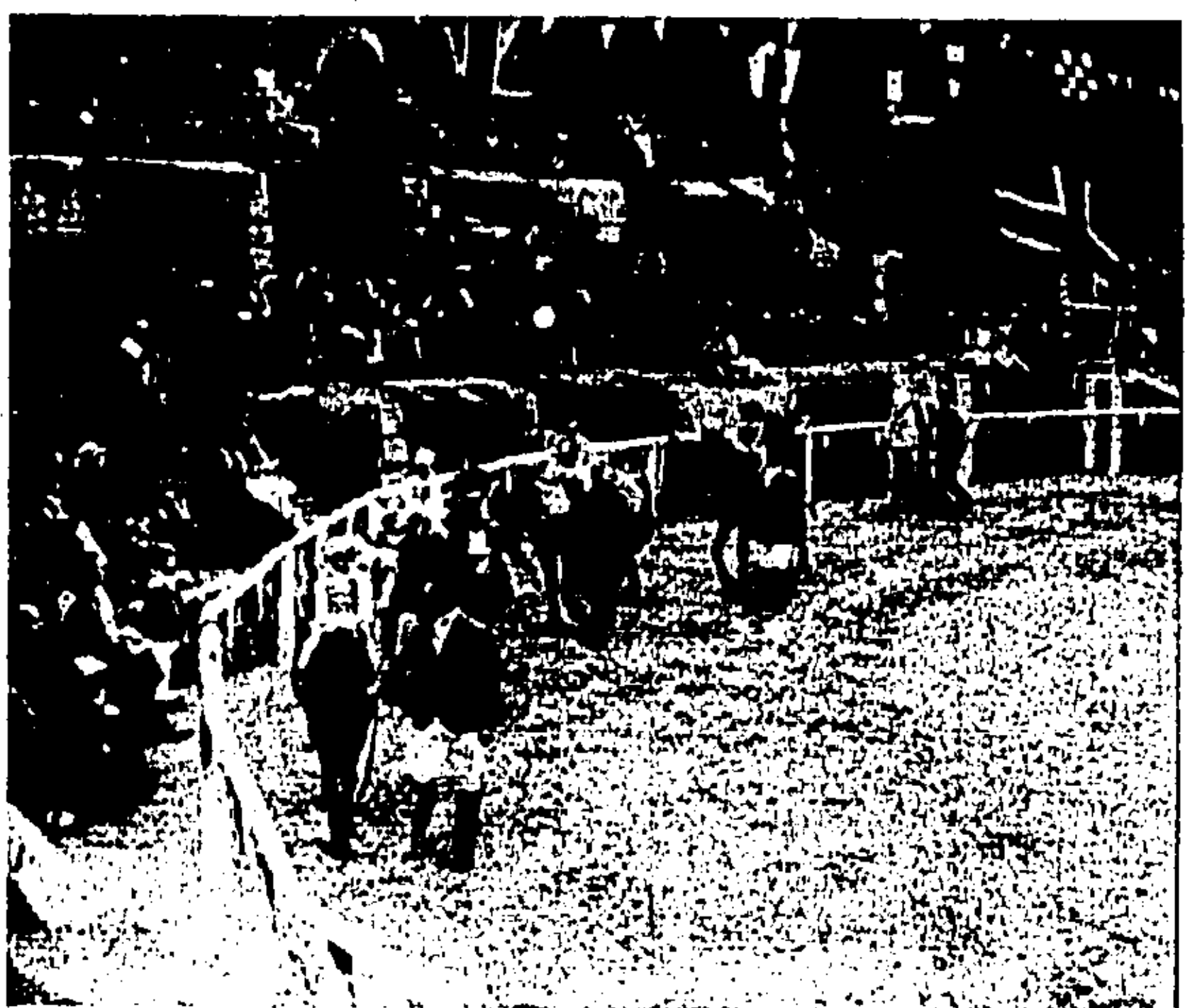
Open air and creaking leather—relay race at Hongkong Riding School.
—Staff Photographer.



Frankie Langley won many awards at the annual show of the Hongkong Riding School Sunday.—Staff Photographer.



Game little competitor at Riding School display.—Staff Photographer.



Tiny riders at Hongkong Riding School.—Staff Photographer.



The Prize giving at the Hongkong Riding School; Mrs. T. E. Pearce and Lt. Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin.—Staff Photographer.



They take their riding seriously, as they should.—Staff Photographer.



Mr. Gerald Sydney gave a recital here recently at which he was assisted by Mrs. R. Sanger, Mrs. S. Church, and Mrs. R. Gambier, above, and the always delightful Anne Winter, Mr. Sydney acted as accompanist.—Photos by Ming Yuen.

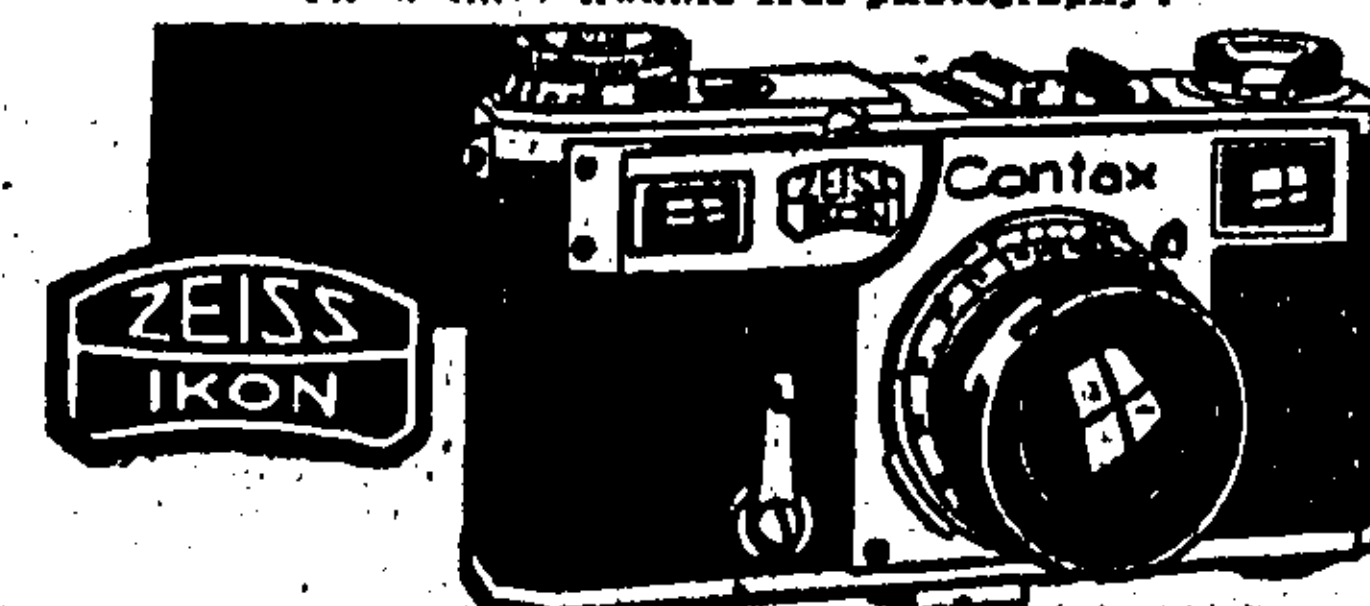
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WHAT DO YOU KNOW?

(Answers In Column 4)

1. Whose moustache is this?



2. Who composed "The Moonlight Sonata"?

Brahms, Beethoven,
Paderevski, Debussy,
Bach, Chopin.

3. What is the literal meaning of the word cenotaph?

4. The meaning of the word Shangti is—

A name used by Christians in China for God.

A material woven in China.
A Japanese river craft.

IN THE NEWS
THIS WEEK

To recruit a crew by forceful measures.

5. What are the Solstices?

6. What is a telemark?

A telegraphic address.

A turn in ski-ing.

A public telephone sign.

A Customs and Excise official's chalk mark.

7. What is a young hare called?

8. If when in Scotland you were given some "bruse," would you

Plant it in the garden.

Eat it.

Play it on the bagpipes.

Clean your car with it.

9. Who is credited with, or blamed for, the introduction of income tax?

10. A quatrain is—

An old English dance.

A stanza of four lines.

A Swedish Parliament.

A Siberian goods train.

11. What begins with "Dearly beloved" and ends with "amazingment"?

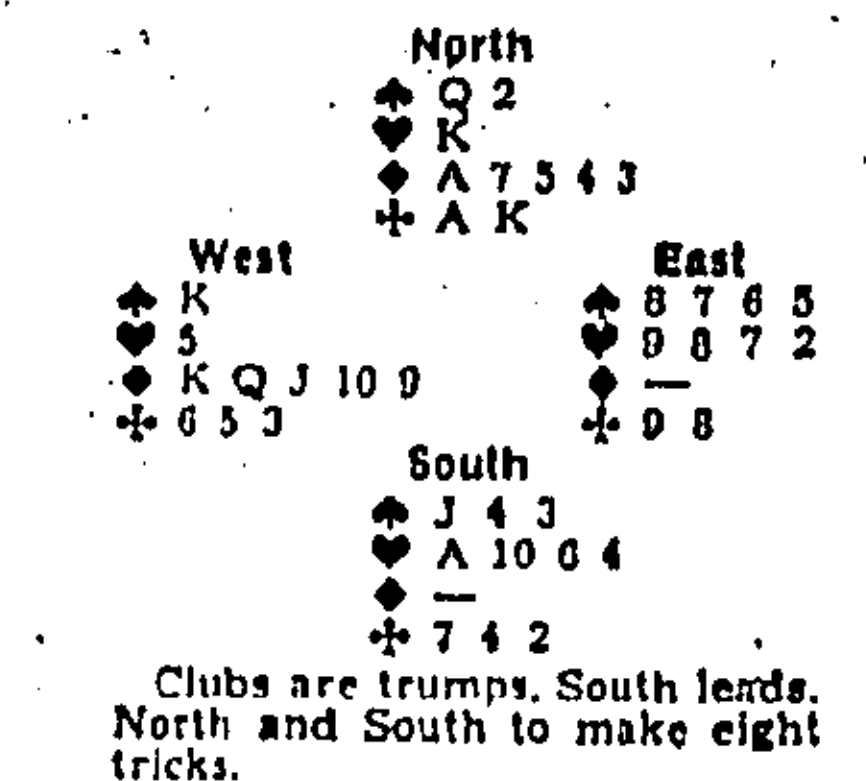
12. What is a marine spike for?

13. From what does Hyde Park derive its name?

14. What is the name of the instrument used to measure the steepness of a gradient?

Sextant, Clinometer, Chronometer, Hydrometer.

Bridge Problem No. 50



SOLUTION TO NO. 49

Trick South West North East
1. 10 9 8 7
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This proved to be an easy problem, and the following sent in correct solutions: "Emjay," R.F.L., F.H.T., F.M.A., "S'easy," Mrs. K.A., 58023.

Solution to Problem 50 should be sent to the "Bridge Problem," Hongkong Telegraph by first post Wednesday.

15. Distinguish between a martingale and a farthingale.

16. Your aesthetic sensibilities should vibrate to—

Souchet, Lack of oxygen.

Pidehrilude, Cruelty to animals.

Burning wood, Bad manners.

17. Who originated daylight saving?

The T.U.C. The chairman

A London Lord Beacons-

builder, field.

A Newspaper

proprietor, Bonar Law.

18. The trophy contended for by international lawn tennis teams, the Davis Cup, owes its name to—

An American politician.

A British ex-Minister of for-

eign affairs.

An American steel king.

A High Court judge.

An ex-Lord Mayor of London.

A musical comedy star.

Another Minute Mystery

How good a detective are you?

EXAMINATION disclosed two sets of finger-prints on the knife which Fordney picked up from the kitchen floor. Three of Ada Kesler's finger-prints were sharply outlined by the flour which had been on her hands. Mrs. Matthews' prints, though fainter, were easily distinguished.

"Do you recognise this knife, Mrs. Matthews?" he asked.

"Certainly, Mrs. Kesler has had it for years."

Inspector Adams, glancing at the kitchen doorknob, inquired, "The door was unlocked when you called?"

"Yes, it was open. I just walked in and asked Mrs. Kesler if I could borrow some coffee. She was kneading bread and told me rather curtly, I thought, to help myself. While I was filling the cup I had brought, she suddenly turned and accused me of being too friendly with her husband. I was dumbfounded; we've been friends and next-door neighbours for years.

"Then without warning she grabbed that knife from the shelf and we had a terrific struggle over it. Just as I was about to wrest it from her, she fell to the floor clutching it.

"I quickly turned her over and saw that she had fallen on the knife. Blood was gushing from her heart."

Adams, catching Fordney's eye, said, "Mrs. Matthews, we're holding you on suspicion of deliberate murder!"

WHAT WAS THEIR REASON?

Solution is upside down at the foot of Column Four.

Do You Picnique?

The China War Correspondent took a few moments off yesterday. He asked some of his friends to spell a few words.

Innocently he asked, is it innoculate or inoculate;
Dessicate or desiccate;
Embarass, embarras, or embarrass;
Rarefy or rarify;
Pienicking or picknicking, or picnicing;
Vilify or vilify?

What do you think? Write it down and then look below. Try this test on your friends.

TEST ANSWERS

What D'you Know Answers

Here are the answers to the what D'you Know questions in Columns one, two and three.

1. Clark Gable's moustache. 2. Beethoven. 3. A monument to one buried elsewhere. 4. A name used by Christians in China for God.

5. The moment in summer when the sun is farthest from Equator. 6. A turn in ski-ing. 7. A leveret. 8. You should cut it. 9. William Pitt in 1793. 10. A stanza of four lines.

11. The marriage service in the Common Prayer Book. 12. Separating the strands in rope, splicing, etc. 13. Hyde Manor, which belonged to the Abbey of Westminster. 14. A clinometer.

15. A martingale is a strap fastened to a horse's girth and head to keep its head down. A farthingale is a hoop petticoat for distending the dress used in the sixteenth century.

16. Pulchritude. 17. A London builder, William Willett.

18. An American politician, Dwight Davis.

He was in the news—Joachim von Ribbentrop.

SOLUTION

Marked Coins

There were no marked coins on Jakings's person. But one of Mr. Harcourt Boom's sixpences was found in the electric slot meter.

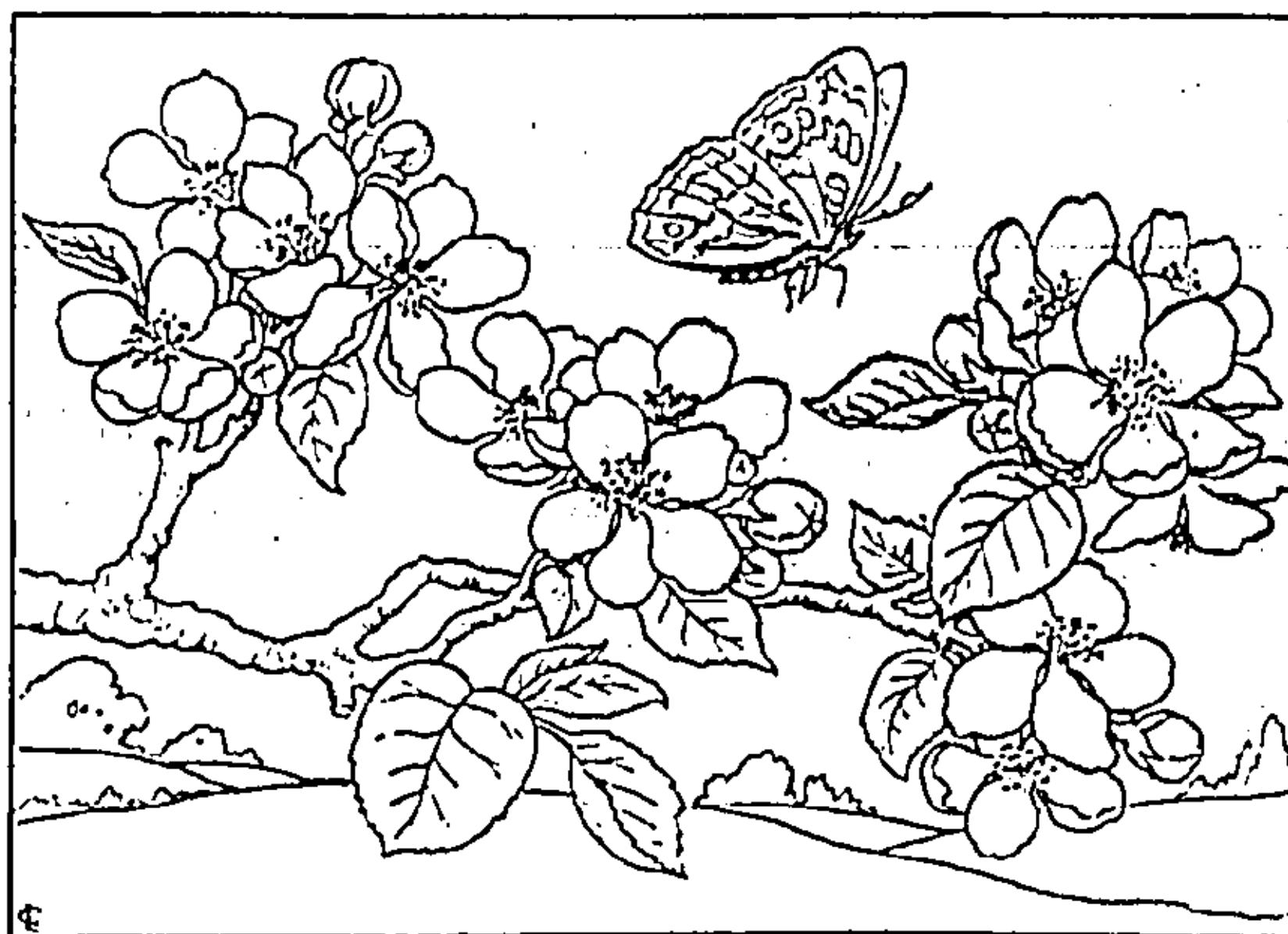
The Picnic

Correct spelling of China War Correspondent's words: Inoculate, desiccate, embarras, supercede, innuendo, rarely, picnicking, vilify.

Minute Mystery Solution

Unidentified. Mrs. Kesler had been killed by a bullet which had entered her head through the back of her neck. The bullet had been fired from a revolver which was found in the kitchen. The bullet had been fired from a revolver which was found in the kitchen. The bullet had been fired from a revolver which was found in the kitchen.

Girls' and Boys' Corner



This colouring is all my own work.

NAME AGE
ADDRESS

Dear Kiddies,
Last week's handwriting contest seems to have been very popular with you. Most of you wrote really well and it took me some time to decide upon the prize-winners.

However, I think the best entries were sent in by:
Nan Taylor (aged 11), Cement Works, Kowloon, and
Joyce Dimberline (aged 9), 184, Nathan Road, 2nd Floor.

I am sending coupons to Nan and Joyce. Will you please bring these coupons to the "Hongkong Telegraph" offices where money prizes will be exchanged for them.

Specially commended for excellent handwriting are:
Seniors: A. Brown, Margie Xavier, Eva Grady, Bonita Irving, Mary Lau, Maggie Cheng, Laurence Becker, Betty Becker, Priscilla Miranda, William Oswald Sousa, Fernando Alves, Tommy Rodrigues, Audrey Abiong, Abdul Rahim, Vivian Pomey, Ada Foster, Col. Fong Pin, Diana Hosking, Donald Andrews, S. J. Bux, Pedro Souza, A. Karim, Karima J. Khan, Ebrahim Yusuf, Henry Lau, Maggie Alves, Vincent A. Tavares, Pamela Ho, Yeung Kit-wa, Ruby Pavi, Louise Gomes, Alda Mendes, Sheila Rodrigues, Yuseit Cooper, S. Ahmed Bux, Doreen Manson, Sandra Monti, Wilbur Marshall, Ann Mansfield, Charles Clark and Marilyn G. Zschegner.

Juniors: Antonio Souza, Socorro Rodrigues, Dennis Abiong, Alice Bux, Lionel Xavier, Elizabeth Oltins, Teresinha Rodrigues, Ghazi J. Khan, Master Pinky Silva, S. Abdul-lah Bux, S. S. Bux, Gerald Marshall, Josephine Leong, Denis Padgett, Michael Tavares, David Asche, Teresa Souza, Rennie Tavares, and Susan Robertson.

Aurea Marques: Thank you very much for your lovely painting.
Sheik Ahmed Bux: Your poem, "The Rainbow", is really very good. Thank you very much.
Priscilla Miranda: Welcome to our Boys' and Girls' Corner. Keep trying at the competitions and you will no doubt win a prize before long.
Bonita Irving is a new-comer from Singapore whom I want to welcome to our Corner.

I have an important announcement to make this week, kiddies. Owing to the great popularity of these competitions and hundreds of entries received, the majority of which obtained high standard of excellence, the practice of awarding Merit Certificates has been discontinued.

In order that children who already hold these certificates shall not be disappointed, I want those who possess certificates to send them to Uncle Eddie, c/o "Hongkong Telegraph", before March 31. In return for these \$1 for each certificate will be paid.

This week we are having a pretty colouring test which will give all young artists a chance to show their skill. It is a picture of apple blossom. Paints or crayons may be used. Better work can be done if the picture is first cut out, pasted on to thick paper or a card and allowed to dry thoroughly. Fill in the coupon and send to Uncle Eddie, c/o "Hongkong Telegraph" before 4 p.m. on Wednesday. Two prizes will again be given.

Uncle Eddie.

"Good," said Dumbell. "That's one piece of information. What was the other, sir?"

"The other is this," said Playfair. "An overcoat of Boom's disappeared two days ago. In the pocket was some loose silver—marked coins, deliberately left there. There has been a certain amount of pilfering lately, and one of their clerks—no connection with Jakings, so far as we can tell—has been under suspicion for some time. The silver was left there for him. It wasn't expected that the coat would go as well."

Dumbell laughed. "I see, sir. They set out to do something clever for themselves; but it may be we shall benefit instead. If we're quick, we may find the marked coins on Jakings's."

Jakings at Home

That afternoon they drew blank at Wharf's Mansions, but a second call, in the evening, produced results. Mr. Lewis Jakings was at home.

"Good evening, gentlemen," was his greeting when, on opening the door of his well-furnished self-contained flat, he was confronted by the two detectives. "From the Yard, I see. Come in; can I offer you refreshment?"

"No, thanks, Jakings," said Playfair. "We're here, I regret to say, on duty. I've brought a search warrant; I daresay you know why. Larceny at Terry's Buildings. Do you mind if we take a look round?"

Jakings lifted his eyebrows. "Not at all," he said, completely at his ease. "The place—such as it is—is entirely at your disposal. Mind you," he added, "I know nothing about Terry's Buildings. And I reserve the right to take whatever legal action is proper when you and your henchmen have finished making fools of yourselves."

There was no sign of Harcourt Boom's overcoat, nor of anything else that was known to have disappeared.

"I'm afraid," said Playfair at the end of half-an-hour, "that I must now ask you to turn out your pockets, Jakings."

"With pleasure," answered Jakings, who was lounging against the wall.

At that moment the lights went out.

"Here, what's this—" began Dumbell. Playfair moved quickly to the door.

6d. in the Slot

"It's all right," said Jakings, in bantering tones. "The meter wants replenishing, that's all. It's a sixpence-in-the-slot affair. Has either of you slouts got one? I'm sorry to say I haven't."

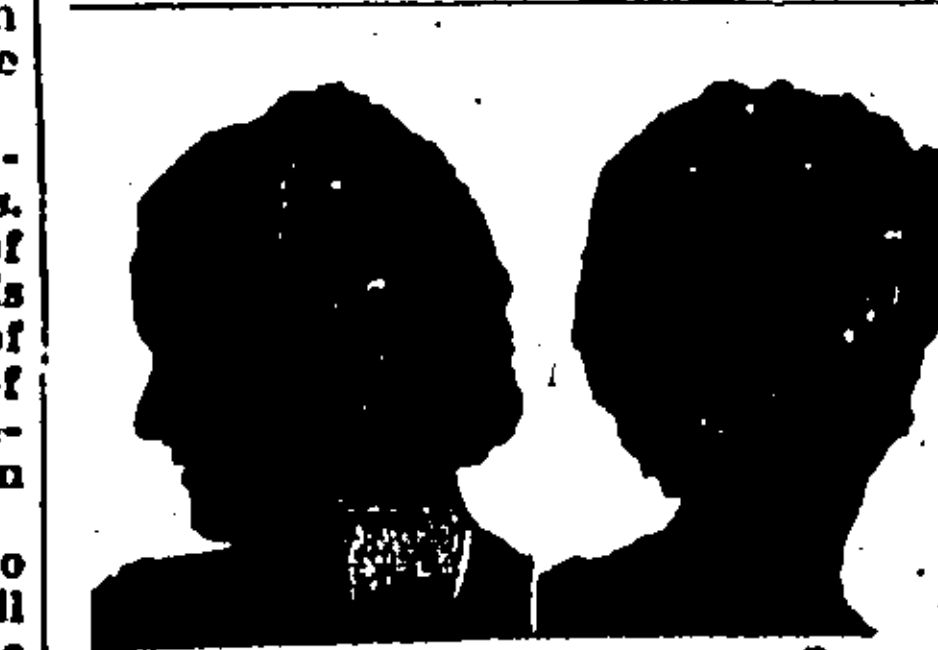
You haven't, eh? thought Playfair disgustedly. Not even a marked one?

"Here you are," he said aloud. There was a click; the lights came on again. "Don't forget to charge that up to expenses," said Jakings.

Playfair completed his examination of Jakings's person. No incriminating evidence was found. But that momentary cessation of the light had given the Inspector an idea—an idea which led ultimately to Jakings's conviction.

What was it?

(Solution on Column Four)



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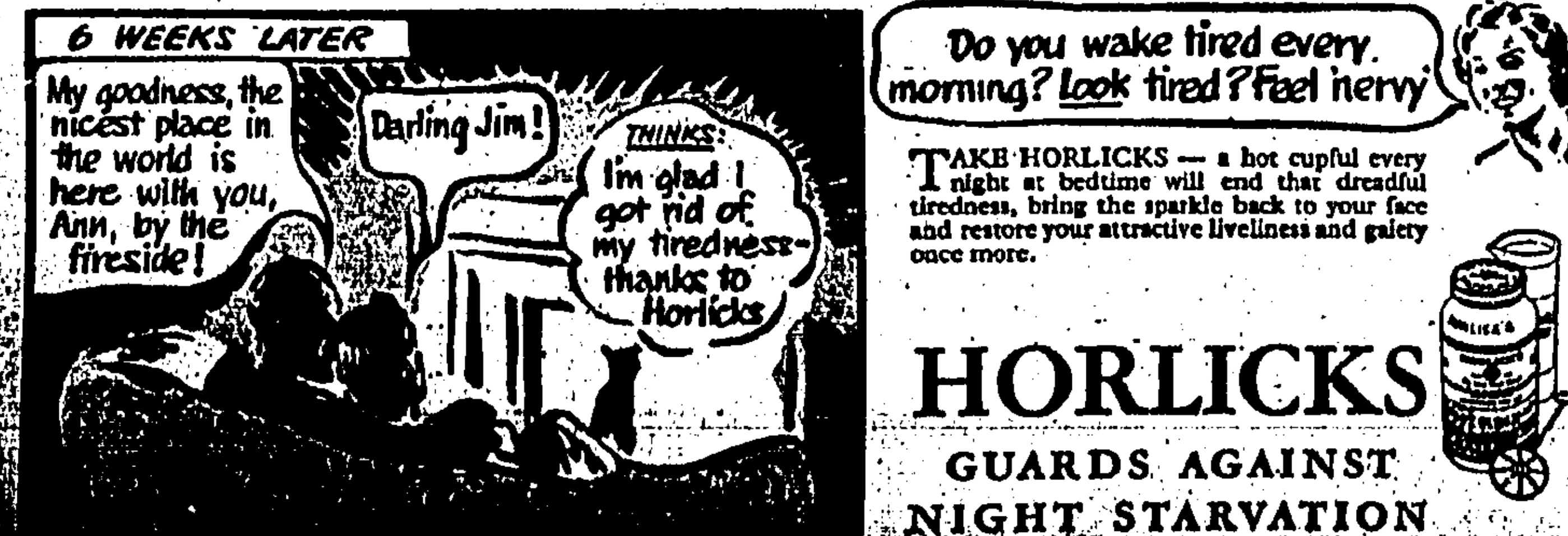
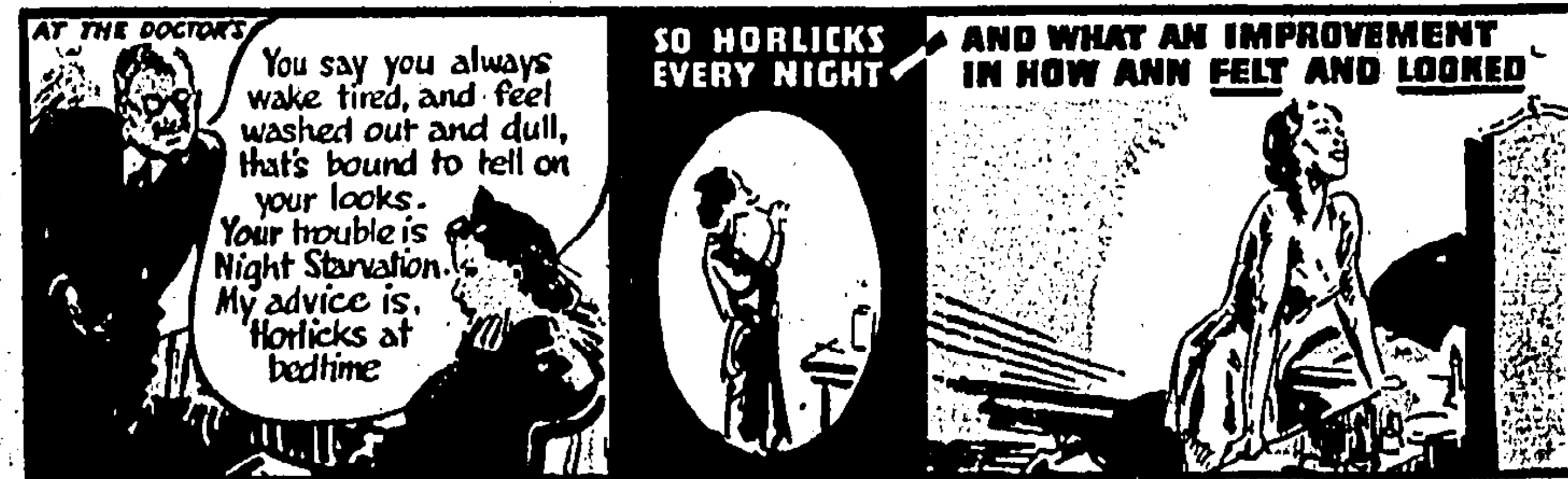
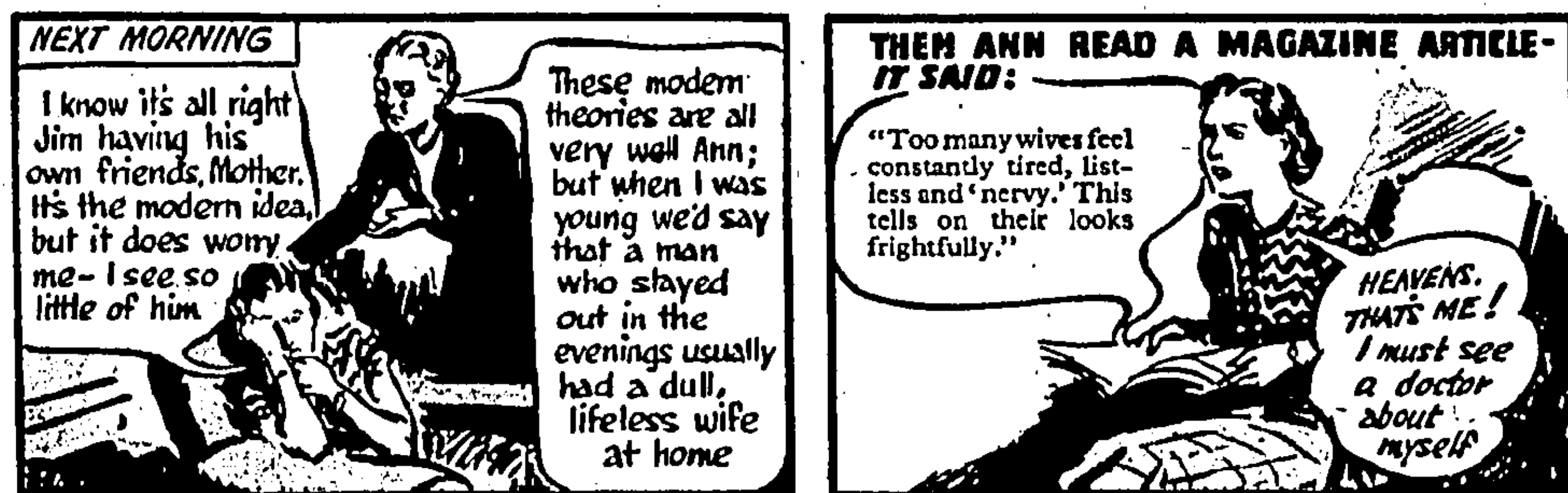
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The SNAPSHOT GUILD

PICTURE ARRANGEMENT



A simple arrangement, but a good one, partly because the same curved line is repeated in the boys' backs and the back of the chair. This gives rhythm to the picture.

MANY snapshotshooters read about picture composition, and decide it is something subtle and "arty," and pretty much of a puzzle. But it needn't be a puzzle, at all. Composition is simply pleasing arrangement.

The woman who arranges flowers in a bowl, or furniture in a room, is "composing" in much the same way as an artist composes a picture. Both are seeking balance, harmony, and an attractive arrangement that appeals to the eye.

Picture composition can be very subtle, but it does not have to be. As a rule, the simpler the arrangement, the more effective it is.

Clearness is the first need of an effective picture arrangement. One way to obtain this is to seek contrast. For instance, if a gray object is pictured against a gray background, the two tend to "run together." But if a gray object is pictured against a white background, with lights so arranged that it casts a black shadow on the white background, there is good contrast, and the object "stands out." A good example of contrast would be a light-haired person pictured against a background of deep shadow. Another thing to avoid is confusing lines that "lead out" of the pic-

ture. Lines have a definite "pulling power," especially if two run together to make a point near the picture edge. Suppose, for instance, you snap a picture of a cat's face and want the eyes to stand out. In that case, the cat's sharp-pointed ears need to be in shadow, or the picture should be trimmed so that the tips of the ears are cut off—otherwise, they will draw attention upward away from the cat's eyes.

The shapes and outlines of things play a great part in establishing the "feel" of a picture. A "pyramid" arrangement gives weight and stability, while slender forms, such as a flower with a thin stalk standing in a slim bud-vase, suggest lightness.

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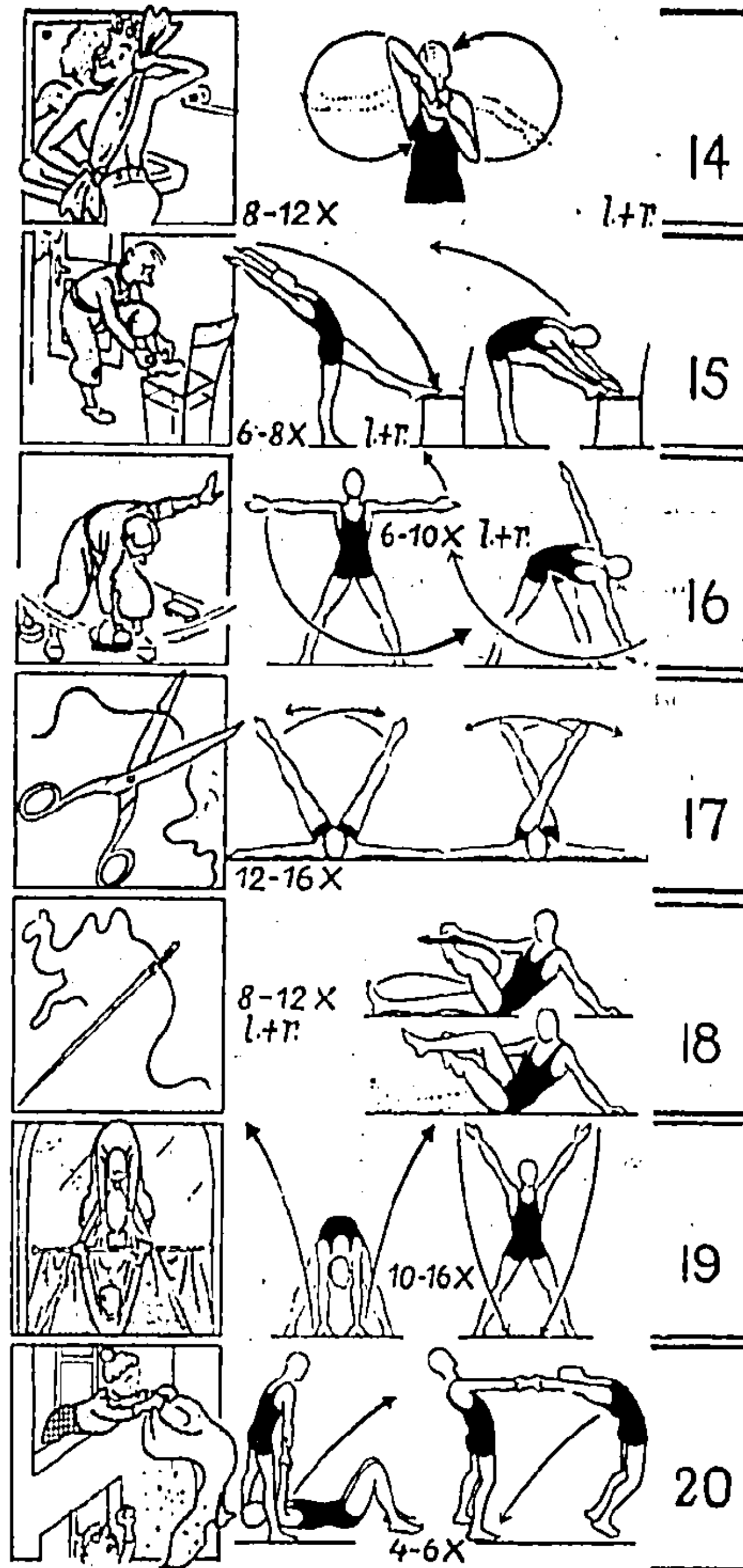
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John van Guilder

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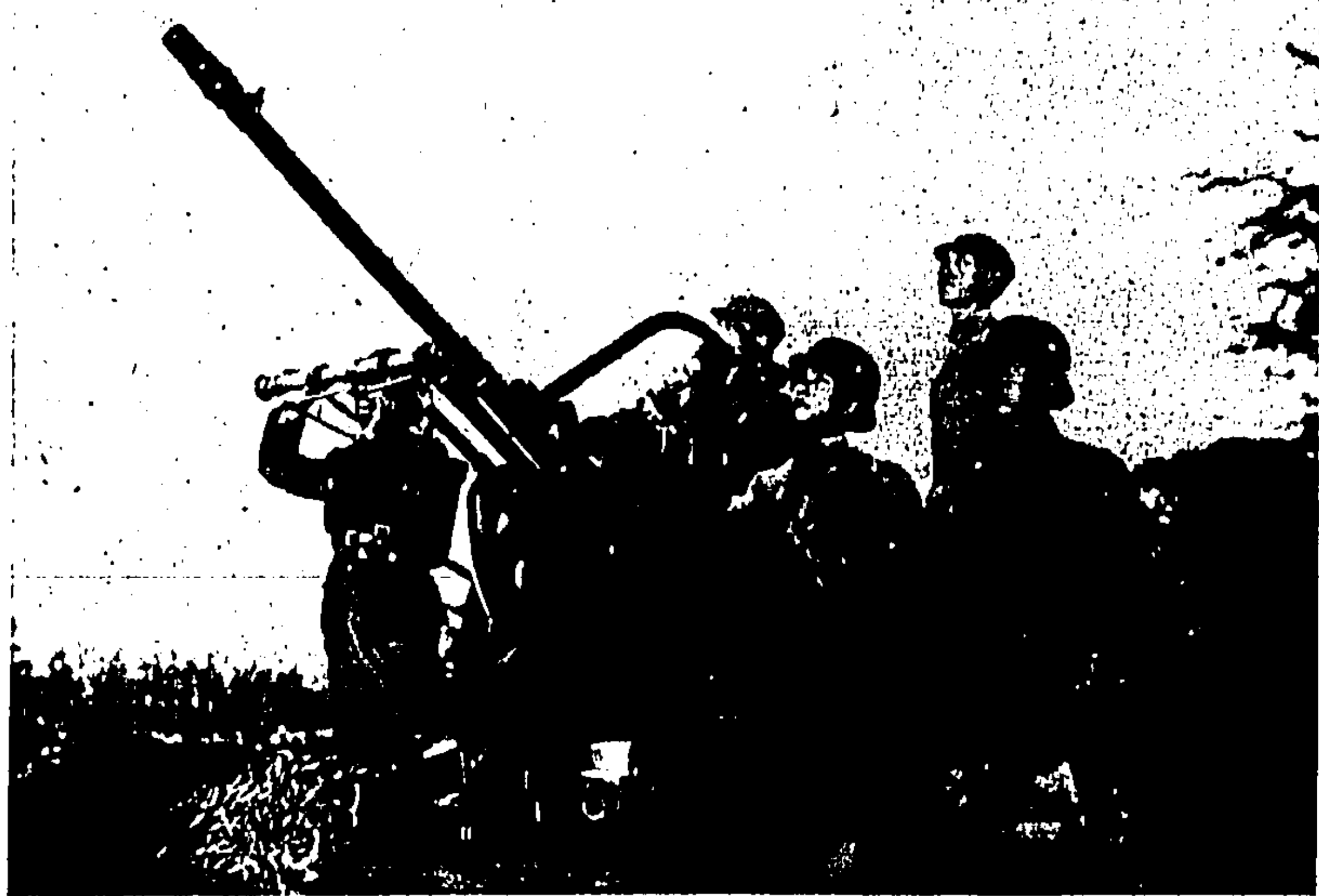
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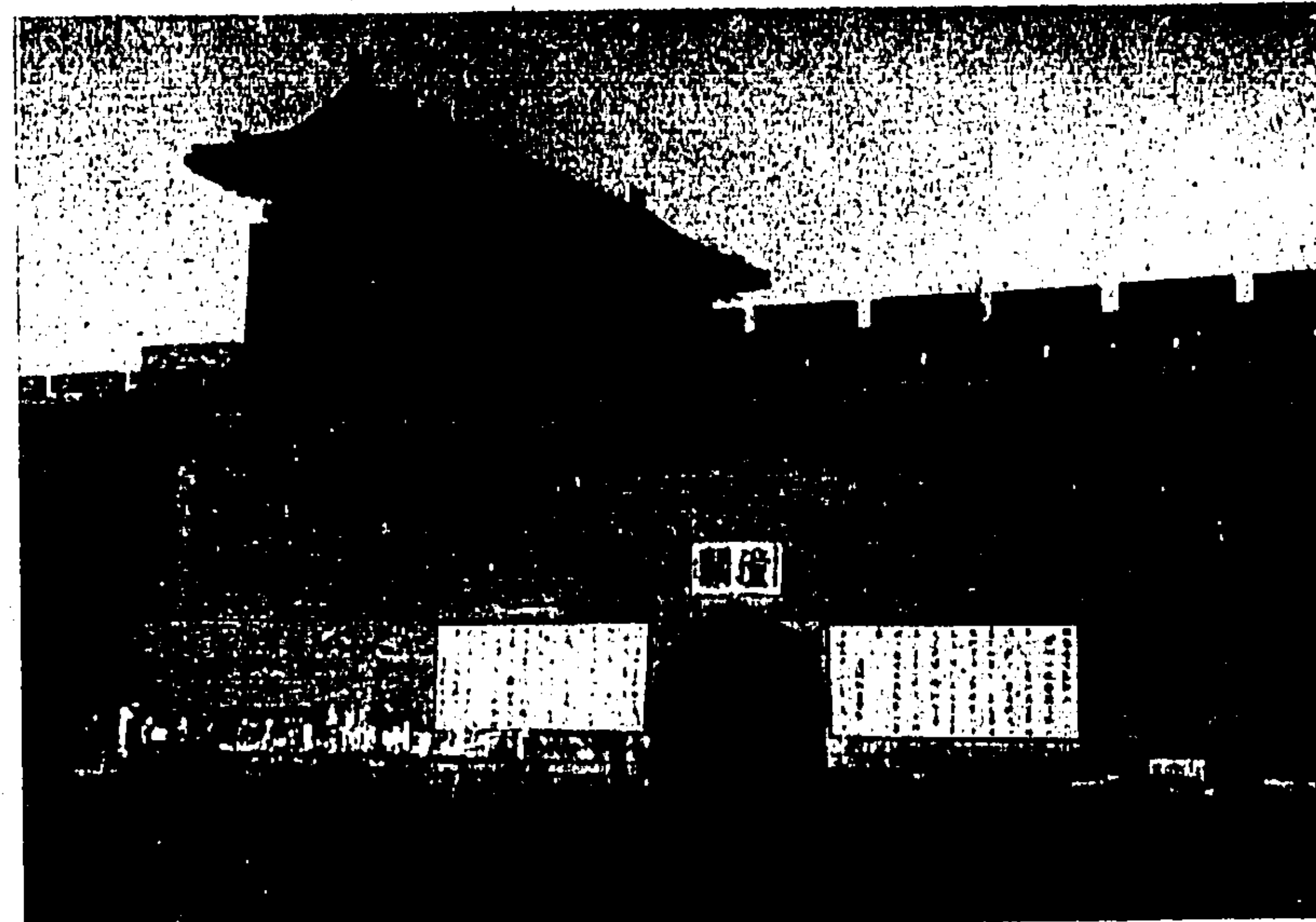
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This was the ninth birthday party of Master Anthony Allan Balch, son of Capt. and Mrs. Balch—Photo by Mee Cheung.



Lt. Peter Ward and the former Miss Ruth Goldring were married at St. Joseph's Church, the Peak—Photo by Ming Yuen.

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In turn he became a cavalry instructor in the Persian Army, a ballet dancer in Rome, a tennis teacher in San Remo, a partner in a chicken farm enterprise at Nice, professional gambler at Monte Carlo, a trapper of leopards in Kenya, an employee of the Food Distribution Corporation in New York.

It was while he was making a livelihood at the tables of the Monte Carlo Casino that he first met the beautiful girl he was later to marry.

She is wealthy Miss Pauline Curran, known as "The Belle of Tasmania."

"A British syndicate arrived at Monte Carlo with a new system of winning at the tables," the prince told the Sunday Chronicle.

GIRL'S WARNING

"They wanted people to play for them and I was one they took on. We had instructions how to play—it was roulette—and we were paid a wage plus a percentage of the winnings."

"I was playing one day like this when an attractive girl, standing behind my table, said to me: 'You are being foolish. Somebody is stealing your money.'"

"While I was taking a firm grip of my money the girl walked away."

"But a few days later I saw her again at a dinner given by a British admiral. We fell in love."

"Our marriage at Hobart Cathedral, Tasmania, in 1926, was a brilliant event."

After eight years together they parted in 1934.

TRAGEDY OF LOVE FOR JAPANESE

New York. For a year Jean Saleman was wooed by Sam Kurihara, a Japanese immigrant, who worked on a neighbouring ranch at Dinubia, California.

Her father was enraged. He ordered the girl to obey California's "unwritten racial law." She refused.

One night the lovers met at Jean's window.

As they parted she heard shots outside, saw her father return to the house with a shotgun.

"He has killed him!" she cried to her stepmother, and rushed to her room to take poison. Presently she died.

But her lover had not been killed. He was taken to hospital, wounded in the side.

Now his friends have put him in hiding, as they fear the wrath of the Californians.

To-day Jean was buried. Crowds angrily murmured: "She's been as good as killed by that Japanese." Kurihara bears his grief in silence, refusing to accuse Jean's father.

*Real life copies Shakespeare. In "Romeo and Juliet" the Montagues and Capulets had the "racial law." Juliet took poison when she thought that Romeo was dead.

LUCKY MELBOURNE PEDESTRIAN ALL TRAFFIC TO CEASE FOR HIM

The Melbourne pedestrian is a favoured being. Experiments are being conducted by which he will be able, at peak periods, to cross from the four corners of an intersection simultaneously. "Cross Now" will flash from four standards and stop all traffic.

Thus will be avoided, not only accidents but the annoyance caused by cars making left hand turns. Special traffic-actuated lights with which the "cross now" will be worked in conjunction, are already operating in Sydney, Brisbane and Hobart, but, says *Austral News*, it is the first time special provision has been made for pedestrians.

EMPIRE NEWS

SOUTH AFRICA AND ITALIAN SHIPS

Cape Town. I understand on the best authority that it has now definitely been decided that the Union Government will not renew the subsidy of £150,000 a year to Italian shipping when the present agreement expires at the end of March, says a correspondent of a London newspaper. The agreement was entered into in 1933 for five years.

Mr. A. P. J. Fourie, Minister of Commerce and Industries, will probably make a statement in Parliament soon after it meets on Friday next.

It is possible that when the subsidy ceases an effort will be made to maintain the trade connections with the West African and the Mediterranean ports which have been established as a result of the Italian arrangement. The Government, it is believed, may consider tenders from all shipping lines which are prepared to provide services along the west and east coasts of Africa.

Dynamite Factory Explosion.—Eleven people—two Europeans and nine natives—were killed to-day in an explosion at a dynamite factory belonging to Cape Explosives Works at Somersburg, 30 miles from Cape Town.—*Reuter*.

Canada

NATIONAL DEFENCE ESTIMATES

Ottawa. The national defence estimates for 1938-39, which provide for an approximate expenditure of £6,800,000, have now been tabled in the House. They promise to be sanctioned this year with less difficulty than last year. In the first place the danger of the international situation has its effect. Over and above this the estimates show a reduction of about £400,000 as compared with the current year, and finally the two recent by-elections have shown ample approval for the armament programme.

There will be a certain amount of opposition from the element in the House of Commons whose pacifism nothing will disturb, but this will not be serious.

Five Miners Killed.—Five miners were killed and 10 injured to-day at the Leveack mine, belonging to International Nickel, seven miles from Sudbury, Ontario. A cage which was being lowered down a pit shaft struck loose rock 850 ft. below ground.

India

OPEN-AIR HUNGER STRIKE

Calcutta. The agitation for the immediate release of all political convicts in Bengal and Bihar—among whom are men sentenced for murder and crimes of violence—was further complicated to-day by an open-air hunger-strike.

Five young men lay down outside the gates of the Government House at Patna, and declared that they would remain until 16 hunger-strikers in the Hazaribagh prison were released, or the Bihar Congress Ministry resigned.

Mr. Gandhi and other Congress leaders have condemned the strike.

A Bengal Government communiqué publishes a list of the hunger-strikers' grievances, together with the comments of the board of visitors. These comments suggest that the prisoners are "pampered" in a manner incredible in any other country in the world.

Man-Killing Leopard.—The leopard which attacked and mauled 10 men near Bangalore on Jan. 23, and has been terrorising the countryside since, has been accounted for. The animal was fired at by a European, Mr. Pankett, who was badly injured. His arm was amputated, and he died in hospital yesterday. On Jan. 24 the leopard was seen by a party led by two Europeans, Mr. Newcome and Mr. Anderson. Mr. Newcome was badly mauled and is in hospital. The beast subsequently killed a boy of 10.



Now that her children are growing up, Madonna Rachele, wife of Premier Mussolini of Italy, accepts more philosophically than formerly the presence of cameramen. Here, attending the wedding in Rome of Rosa Mussolini, daughter of the Premier's deceased older brother, she smiles readily. Her escort, with the German military mustache, is Count Teodorozzi, father of the groom.

SOLDIERS HATE CORONATION BLUE UNIFORMS

SOLDIERS HATE THE "CORONATION BLUE" WALKING-OUT UNIFORM SO MUCH THAT IT IS TO BE WITHDRAWN BY THE ARMY AUTHORITIES.

Comparatively few units have received this blue serge outfit, but those that have say it makes them look like postmen, commissionaires, special constables or car-park attendants.

Army commanders declare that one of the greatest aids to recruiting is an attractive uniform that could be worn with pride by soldiers off duty, but, after more than five years of consideration the War Office experts are still unable to reach a decision.

It was stated recently that the question is "still under active consideration," but not even Mr. Horre-Bellish, the Minister, knows when the "plunge" will be taken.

The trouble nowadays is that the commissionaire of the modern super-cinema has taken on so many bright colours that he bears too close a resemblance to possible "swagger" uniforms. On this ground alone numbers of projected styles have been rejected.

But the Army's dress-reform committee is not only concerned with ceremonial off-duty uniform. Wide-spread mechanisation has made it necessary for a more suitable uniform to be introduced for use on duty.

So far no colour has been found to replace khaki, which is the best known camouflage, and it is possible that a solution may be found in a new type of material of lighter texture.

Landowners Must Help To Defend London

WAR OFFICE APPEALS FOR SEARCHLIGHT SITES

A straight-from-the-shoulder War Office appeal has been made to British landowners and farmers.

"A refusal to help," it says, "may lead to an enemy bomber getting through and raining fire and the dew of death on London's millions."

Sites for an unbroken ring of searchlights and anti-aircraft guns in the countryside outside London are to be chosen by air-raid experts.

Landholders are asked, says the *Daily Sketch*, to help to make "things as easy as possible." It is pointed out that "it is not a question of trespass but of training."

The new chain of defence will be tested for the first time in the "biggest ever" sham air attack on London and the Eastern Counties in the first fortnight in August.

WHERE DEFENCE BEGINS

The usual Red Tape atmosphere is missing from this simple, Landholders-It's-Up-to-You appeal, which adds:

"The defence of London against the terror that flies by night begins not within the City's boundaries but in the agricultural area spreading to the coast. The air menace must be met before it has a chance to strike. Re-

possibility for this vital safeguard rests on the R.A.F. and Anti-Aircraft divisions.

"In peace as well as war," it continues, "there is the necessity for closest co-operation between these two forces, and between them and the owners and tenants of land within the scheme of operations."

The War Office appeal ends on a very simple note:

It is easy to say "shant" to a survey, but it's no use saying "shant" to a bomb.

Programmes Won't Rustle
Norhampton, Mass. No rustle of programmes marked a Ciel Club concert here. To insure quiet, the programmes had been printed on blotting paper.

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H.K.T. 12.00-12.20 p.m. Relay of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Excerpts from Bizet's "Carmen".
Prelude To Act 1; Entr'acte, Act 4... Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra conducted by Leopold Stokowski; Qui Sait De Quel Démon; Parle-Moi De Ma Mere... F. Heldy (Soprano) and F. Anseau (Tenor)—Orchestra conducted by Piero Coppola.

12.43 "The Fair Maid Of Perth"—Suite—Bizet.
Played by The London Philharmonic Orchestra and conducted by Sir Thomas Beecham.

1.00 Time and Weather.
1.03 Gerry Moore At The Piano. No More You—Quickstep (Towers-Grandlund); A Message From The Man In The Moon (From "A Day at the Races"); Sweet Heartache—Slow Fox-Trot (From "The Hit Parade"); Jammin'—Quickstep (From "Turn off the Moon").

1.15 Cinema Organ Music.
Bell Medley... Arion and The Paramount Theatre Orchestra; Al Bollington at the Organ; Escapade (Phillips); Speak To Me Of Love (Lenoir)... Al Bollington at the Organ of the Paramount Theatre, London; Lionel Monckton Melodies (Arr. Stanford Robinson)... Al Bollington at the Organ of the Paramount Theatre, London.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather and Announcements.

1.40 Variety Programme.

Dance Orchestra—Blossoms On Broadway—Fox-Trot (From "Blossoms on Broadway"); I Still Love To Kiss You Goodnight—Fox-Trot (From "52nd Street")... Carroll Gibbons and The Savoy Hotel Orpheans with vocal chorus; Organ Solo—Jan Klepura Film Melodies.

Marcel Palotti; Dance Orchestra—Stop! You're Breakin' My Heart—Swingstep (From "Artists and Models"); Everything You Said Came True—Slow Fox-Trot (Franklin)... Jack White and His Collegians with vocal refrain; Vocal

Pancho's Widow (From "Daddy Clay Trail"); Even A Crooner Must Eat (Sonini); "Concor-Phillips")... Max Bacon with Orchestra; Piano Solo—Damsel In Distress—Selection; Medley... Patricia Roseborough; Dance Orchestra—My K'nda Love—Fox-Trot (Trent-Alter); Am I Blue?

—Fox-Trot (Clarke-Alter)... Dorsey Bros. and Their Orchestra with vocal refrain by Eling Crosby.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00-7.00 Chinese Programme.

7.00 Songs by Tiao Kuei (Tenor). Paname Ville D'Amour—Slow-Fox Chante (Musique de Fredo Gardoni et J. Chavoli); Il Existe Une Blonde—Slow-Fox Chante (Musique de Fredo Gardoni); Les Fleurs C'est De L'Amour (Mondier and Tillymoon).

7.10 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

7.15 London Relay—"Will You Be Mine..."

Devised by Robert C. Stern. With extracts from the novels and plays of Charlotte Brontë, William Shakespeare, Charles Dickens, and St. John Ervine. In the Victorian era, the usual response to this question was: This is so sudden—or: You must ask my father. But throughout the centuries the fashion in proposing changes. Production by John Richmond.

7.45 Love Songs.
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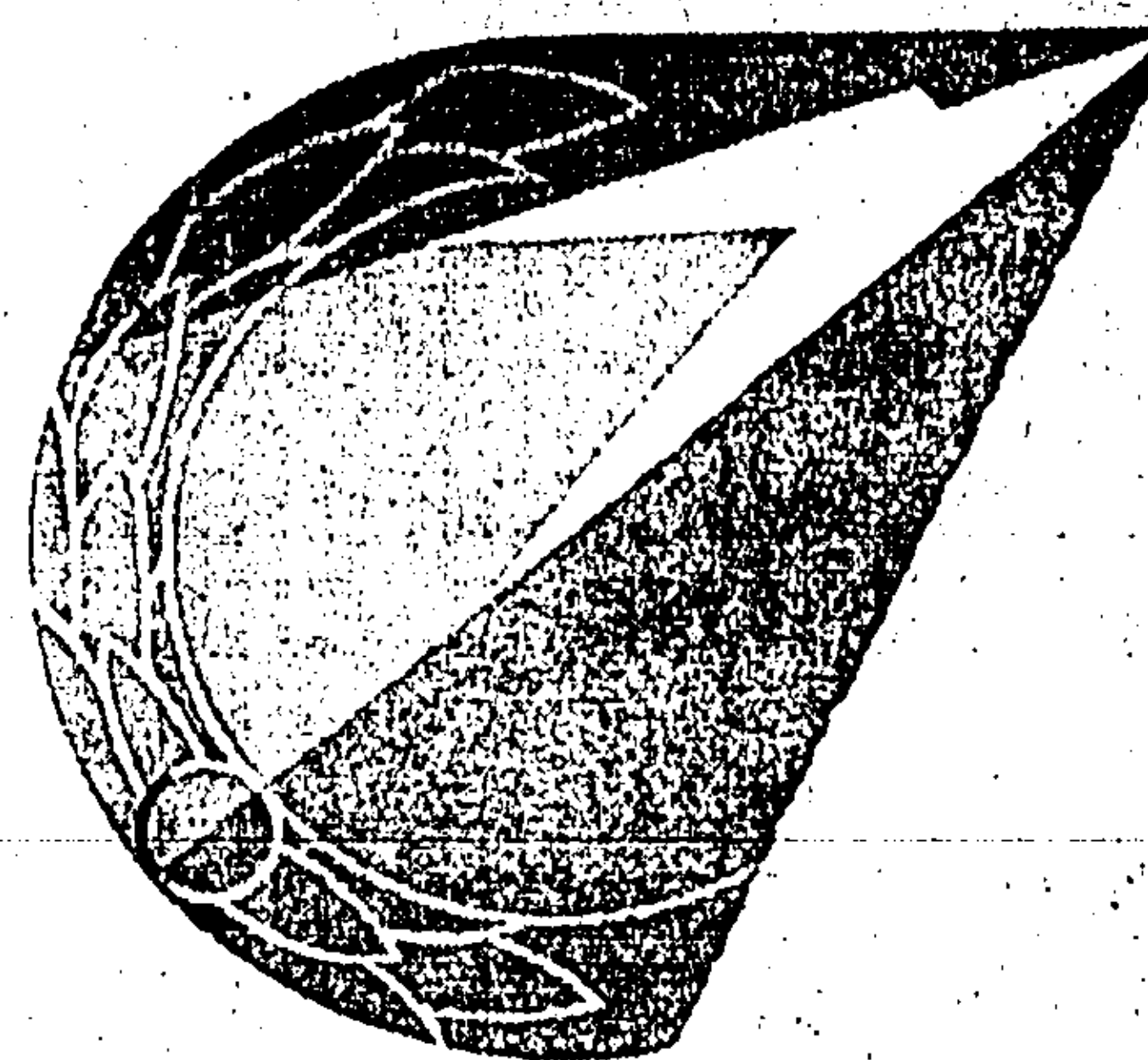
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EX-CHAMPION EASILY WINS HIS SINGLES MATCH

TSUI WAI-PUI NOT EXTENDED BY A. CHAN

DOUBLES VICTORY FOR LEONARD AND G. CHOA

(By "Abe")

Although he has already made two appearances in the doubles, it was only yesterday that Tsui Wai-pui, the Colony champion of 1936 and Chinese Davis Cup representative last year, played his first match in the singles of the tennis championships at the Hong-kong C. C.

Opposed to Albert Chan, of the Kowloon Tong Club, the former champion and hot favourite for this year's title ambled his way through to the next round without much difficulty. Not being extended, he was not seen at his best but it was fully obvious to those who watched him in action yesterday that he is in a class by himself. H. D. Rumjahn, the present champion, notwithstanding. On occasions he played shots which only he among local players would have dared to attempt with any hope of success and often brought them off.

As a result, Chan suffered by comparison as regards style and finishing, but he revealed an extremely steady backhand which retrieved some of Tsui's fiercest drives. He did well to take five games—a meritorious performance in the circumstances.

DOUBLES TIE

The only other open championship encounter was in the doubles, in which J. W. Leonard and G. Choa, of the Craigeworth and C.C.C. club, defeated G. C. Burnett and A. Crawford, of the Kowloon C.C. The former pair won in straight sets but each set went to 12 games.

Leonard and Choa, though they deserved to win because of their greater steadiness, were rather fortunate to get through in two sets. As the scores show, the game was very even but a tendency on the part of Burnett and Crawford to crack up at the crucial moments enabled the Happy Valley players to win the important games of each set.

The match was featured by some fine volleying and driving. Service also was very steady, but the overhead work of both sides was weak; none of the four showed up to advantage even when lobs were invitingly short.

Choa and Crawford were the two outstanding players on the court. The former was particularly good in his stroking and impressed with his low volleys and driving, but he proved to be lacking in experience. In spite of the effectiveness of his volleys, he was too chary of going up to the net, preferring to hug the base-line until very audibly told to advance by his partner. His understanding with Leonard still has plenty of room for improvement. Four times in the course of the match their rackets clashed (although rather peculiarly twice they won the point), and their confidence was so shaken later that their opponents passed them on several occasions with shots down the middle.

BURNETT ERRATIC

Burnett on the whole was very erratic, being prone to over-drive, and revealed weakness on the backhand. Leonard made a few timely interceptions at the net, but generally his strokes lacked sting.

The K.C.C. pair lost a great chance of clinching the first set. Games went with service until 3-3 was called. Then Leonard dropped his service, but Burnett also lost his.

Title Fight For June 22

New York, Mar. 18.

It is announced that the world's heavyweight championship fight between Joe Louis (holder) and Max Schmeling will be held on June 22 either at New York or Chicago.

The German knocked out Louis when they met in 1936, before the latter won the title from Jimmy Braddock. — *Reuter.*

THRILLING BADMINTON WITNESSED

Fine Play In Mixed Double Semi-finals

The best match to date in the mixed doubles badminton championship was witnessed in the semi-finals at the Tai Koo R. C. last evening when M. A. Oliveira and Miss Silva, of the Club de Recreio, beat Patrick Wong and Miss W. M. Cheung by 18-17, 15-10.

Oliveira and Miss Silva led 13-8 in the first set, but Wong and Miss Cheung drew level at 13-13 after some spirited rallies, settled and then led 4-3. Despite having two services in hand, the Chinese pair could not press home their advantage, how-



M.A. Oliveira played his best game this season.

ever, and with the scores at 4-4, one service to go, Wong rushed. Miss Silva's service and had bad luck in smashing the shuttle a few inches out of court.

It was a most exciting set. Both pairs were seen to advantage in turn. Oliveira and Miss Silva again established an early lead in the second set, going ahead at 9-2. Wong and Miss Cheung then staged a brilliant recovery to draw level at 9-9, but they could not improve on this and Oliveira and Miss Silva went to their points for a 15-10 win.

Oliveira played his best game this season in this encounter, while Miss Silva, who started rather shakily, improved to give a fine exhibition of forecourt play. Wong scored many points with well-placed smashes, but did not combine at all well with Miss Cheung. In this respect, Oliveira and Miss Silva had the advantage, their understanding being almost perfect.

A GOOD START

J. J. Remedios and Miss O. Ribeiro, of the Club de Recreio, started off very well against P. K. Hul and Miss U. Khoo, of the University, in the other semi-final match, and led 8-5. The undergraduates then drew level and from this point they never looked back, winning the set at 18-10.

Hul and Miss Khoo were far too good in the second set; nevertheless Remedios and Miss Ribeiro did better than the scores of 18-1 would indicate.

Hul was in fine fettle, but Remedios had an off-day and lost his touch after the first ten points. Miss

NO "OPEN" TENNIS TOURNAMENTS

Proposal Rejected By International L. T. F.

Paris, Mar. 18.

A proposal to allow tennis tournaments open to amateurs and professionals was rejected by a large majority to-day at a meeting of the International Lawn Tennis Federation.

Supporters of the proposal were the United States, Australia, Japan, India and Brazil.

The Indian proposal for an international mixed doubles competition was not seconded.

South Africa proposed to institute a second base-line, between which and the normal base-line the server the proposal was to eliminate foot-faults. It gained 90 votes as against 81, but the proposal failed as it lacked a two-thirds majority.

With regard to service, the Federation decided that "if the ball thrown in the air for service touches the ground before being hit by the racket it shall count as a fault."

China, Lithuania and Turkey were elected members of the Federation. — *Reuter.*

Regarding the proposal to allow tournaments open to both amateur and professionals, the American L.T.A. at its annual meeting at Miami, Florida, recently, while refusing to approve a motion for the holding of such tournaments, allowed it to be understood that it did not necessarily demand rigid prohibition. The American L.T.A. decided to ask the International Federation to eliminate its present rule prohibiting the conducting of open tournaments for amateurs and professionals.

Ribeiro was better than Miss Khoo, who was penalised three times for lifting her foot while serving.

M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva beat P. H. Wong and Miss Cheung 18-17, 15-10. P. K. Hul and Miss U. Khoo beat J. J. Remedios and Miss O. Ribeiro 18-10, 15-1.

Boat Race Crews Are Well-Matched

Dark Blues Have Poor Conditions For Their Trial

London, Mar. 18.

Oxford University's crew rowed their first full-course trial over the Boat Race course to-day in 10 mins. 44 secs.

The two trials—Cambridge rowed theirs on Thursday—show that the crews are exceedingly well-matched.

Unlike Cambridge, the Dark Blues to-day had wretched conditions, there being a strong wind. They started making water in Putney Reach where the water was choppy. The oarsmen went up showers of spray after two or three strokes.

Further up the course, the water was good. The Oxford times, in spite of the wretched conditions, were only a fraction behind Cambridge's to Hammersmith Bridge.

The worst part came after shooting the Bridge. Oxford must have shipped a lot of water, but stuck to their task manfully, and the stroke, Hodgson, worked up a rate of 38 in the final burst.

The intermediate times were:—mils, 4 mins. 1 sec.; Hammersmith Bridge, 7 mins. 10 sec.; Chiswick Steps, 11 mins. 55 sec.; Barnes Bridge 18 mins. 22 secs.—*Reuter Special.*

FIELDING BECOMES A NEGLECTED ART AT CRICKET

Kent Players Reproached Publicly For Slackness

(By Geoffrey Simpson)

London, Feb. 11.

With admirable frankness, Kent cricket club have publicly reproached their players for slackness in the field last summer.

Making the criticism a matter of official record, the committee in their annual report state: "An unusual number of catches were missed; 'backing up' was often conspicuous by its absence; the habit of stopping the ball with the feet increased."

As this comment follows closely on the observation that only four of the first twenty matches were won, it can be assumed that bad fielding was awarded its share of blame for the lack of success.

It is an axiom that bowling and fielding win matches. And if the Kent team were relying on their feet instead of their hands, and neglecting to cover each other, then their fielding last season must have been casual.

NEGLECTED ART

Whenever I see the Australians I come regretfully to the conclusion that the fielding art in England is sadly neglected. There has not been an Australian team here whose players did not throw the ball in with splendid accuracy and pace.

The Australians' picking-up, covering, and blocking of batsmen's pet shots are an education. They save a great number of runs, and I personally find rich enjoyment watching their nippy work.

We have some grand fielders in England, but it is a matter for regret that the standard among county teams generally is not as high as it should be. There is no justification for this, for if a cricketer has not the talent to be a good batsman or bowler, he can at least learn to field well.

Fielding in English cricket is the first thing seized upon for criticism by American visitors, accustomed to the slick work of baseball fielders. They do not think much of it.

I am puzzled why fielding should be regarded by some players as a necessary evil, because fielding, properly done, can be an exceedingly attractive part of cricket. Unhappily, some people concentrate their attention on the batsmen, and if runs are not forthcoming they either barrack or brand the game as "dull."

Now in many such situations the lack of scoring is really a triumph for the fieldsmen, and a study of their work and the methods employed is frequently ample compensation for the scarcity of boundaries.

ONLOOKERS' PART

The bulk of the cricketing public, I am sure, appreciate smartness in the field, and if Kent had not been remiss in this respect then the probability is that the county would not have lost £1,818 on the season, because more matches would have been won.

One of these days someone will award a "best fieldsmen's" prize. There are plenty of them for rapid centuries, big scores, and bowling feats.

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It would be an excellent thing for county cricket generally if the crowds next season make a point of giving fieldsmen "a hand" when anything particularly smart is accomplished. Encouragement from the terraces and stands can do much to ginger up this important branch of the game.

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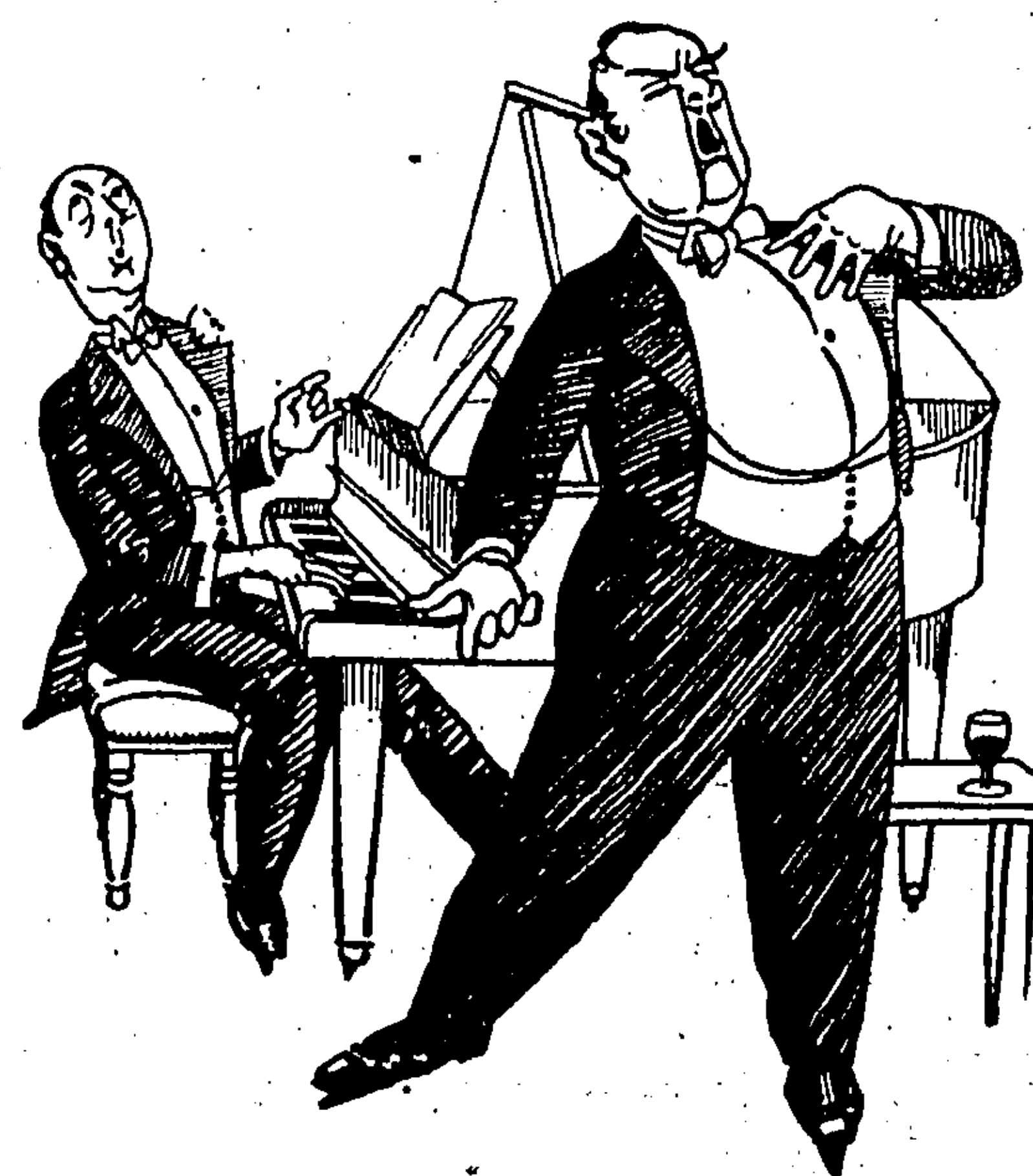
Owing to the combined manoeuvres, the Football League programme this week-end has been greatly curtailed; only three matches will be played, one this afternoon and two to-morrow.

The South China "B", who are well on their way to the championship, have the Kowloon Chinese as their opponents, and though on present form they should take two more points, the recent improvement shown by the Kowloon Chinese suggests that they are not to be taken too lightly. This game will be played this afternoon at Caroline Hill.

South China "A" and South China "B" will clash to-morrow. These two teams have seldom shown anything worth while when they meet, but this is partly due to the fact that as both teams are from the same club they seldom go all out.

A better game will probably be seen on the Club ground where the Police play Eastern. The teams are evenly-matched.

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NAVAL APPOINTMENTS TO FAR EAST

Recent appointments notified by the admiralty include the following:

Lt.-Cdr. M. H. R. Crichton and R. S. Stafford to President (March 8) for Ladybird and Tern respectively (March 15).

Lt. D. G. F. Bird to Enterprise (March 21) and to Duncan (undated); Lt. E. Bingham-Powell to Enterprise (April 12) and to Duncan (undated).

King's Harbour Master

Commander R. L. Moore has taken up duty as Deputy Superintendent and King's Harbour Master at Sheerness Dockyard, in succession to Commander R. Hambrotham, whose three-year term has expired. Commander Moore returned recently from the command of the gunboat Coelhafer in China. He was specially promoted to lieutenant for gallantry in action in the destroyer Onslow at Jutland, and later in the War he commanded the destroyer Ursa. From 1922 he specialized as a navigator, and he has been squadron navigator in the 1st Battle Squadron, Mediterranean. He graduated at the Staff College in 1932.

GUNBOAT CONVERSION

China Station Vessels To Burn Coal

Sir A. Wilson asked the First Lord of the Admiralty in the House of Commons on March 2 what was the approximate cost of the conversion of five river gunboats from the China station from oil to coal owing to a shortage of oil supplies; and whether arrangements are under consideration to facilitate similar conversions should need arise?

Mr. Cooper: The cost of the alterations in the five gunboats referred to by my hon. and gallant Friend was approximately £400. I should add, however, that these vessels

were originally designed to burn coal as well as oil, so that the change was merely a reversion to the original arrangement, involving very little work. The answer to the second part of the question is in the negative.

FLEET IMPROVEMENTS

Marriage Allowances And Promotion Chances

Marriage allowances have now been granted to officers of the Royal Navy, and details of these are given below; also the improvements in regard to promotion and conditions of service of Warrant Officers and Officers promoted therefrom.

The marriage allowances are on the following basis: Captains (Royal Navy), Lieut.-Colonels (Royal Marines) and Senior Chaplains, 5s. 6d. a day with 2s. a day for the first child and 1s. a day for each subsequent child.

Commanders, Lieut.-Commanders and Lieutenants, R.N., Majors and Captains, R.M., and Lieutenants, R.N. and R.M. from warrant rank, Chaplains and Dental Officers, 4s. 6d. a day, with 2s. a day for the first child and 1s. a day for each subsequent child.

Warrant Officers, commissioned Officers from Warrant rank, R.M. and R.N., 3s. a day, with 1s. 6d. a day for the first child and 1s. a day for each subsequent child.

Dealing with reductions of pay, the Admiralty message states:

A reduction of 2s. a day will be made in the full pay of officers of the rank of Captain, Commander,

and Lieut.-Commander, R.N. and R.M., Lieut.-Colonels, Majors and Captains, R.N., Lieutenants, R.N. and R.M. from Warrant rank, and Chaplains of over three years seniority. The reductions for Commissioned Officers from Warrant rank are: to 1s. on promotion 1s. a day; after three years 1s. 3d. a day; after six years 1s. 6d. a day; and after nine years 1s. 8d. a day. This is subject to an adjustment in the case of Schoolmasters. Marriage allowance will be payable to the married officers at the age of 30 except in the case of Warrant Officers, who will receive the allowance at the age of 25.

Medical Branch

The scheme will apply to officers concerned on next promotion after April 1, 1938; promotion to Lieut.-Commander rank to be regarded as promotion for this purpose. Officers now married will have the choice of whether, until next promotion, they will come under the new scheme or remain as at present; officers who marry before their next promotion will have this option on marriage.

Generally speaking lodging allowance will not be payable concurrently with marriage allowance in Home appointments.

It has been found necessary to reserve for further consideration the applicability of the present scheme of marriage allowance to the Medical Branch. Their Lordships fully sympathize with the natural disapproval experienced by all R.N. Medical Officers, but wish to emphasize most strongly that every effort is being made to arrive at an equitable arrangement for all Naval Medical Officers at an early date.

Reduction of pay will not apply to Lieut.-Commanders of nine years seniority; Lieut.-Commanders of 12 years seniority will receive an increment of 2s. a day.

Married officers appointed on shore at Home will receive a removal allowance.

Marriage allowance will be payable to officers of the Reserves when serving.

Warrant Officers

The following improvements in regard to promotion and conditions

GOVERNOR OF MACAO TO VISIT COLONY

His Excellency the Governor of Macao, Dr. Tamagnini Barbosa, will pay an official visit to the Colony this week. He will arrive at Queen's Pier on Thursday about 12.15 p.m., and will be welcomed by His Excellency the Governor of Hongkong, Sir Geoffrey Northcote. The principal officers, officials and other distinguished persons in the Colony will be presented to him and he will inspect a Guard of Honour before proceeding to Government House, where an official luncheon will be given in his honour.

At 6.30 p.m. that evening their Excellencies will attend a reception given by the Consul for Portugal at the Club Lusitano.

On Friday their Excellencies will lunch with His Excellency the Commander in Chief, Vice-Admiral Sir Percy Noble, at Admiralty House. In the afternoon, Dr. Barbosa and his staff will conclude their official visit to the Colony and will leave Government House for Repulse Bay Hotel where they will, it is understood, remain for a few days.

of service of Warrant Officers and Officers promoted therefrom are promulgated for general information.

Firstly: the present system of automatic promotion to Commissioned officer from Warrant rank in the Executive, Engineering, Shipwright, Ordnance, Electrical and Master at Arms branches will be abolished and a zone system of promotion by selection substituted. The zone will be eight to twelve years but promotions will be so adjusted that the average seniority on promotion will be ten years as at present. The change will begin to operate in four years time.

Secondly: Promotion to Lieutenant in the above categories will also be made by selection within a zone from five years seniority to the age of 49, the change to commence in four years time. The quota of Lieutenants will be increased and numbers will be based on requirements. For the time being a percentage of ten will be worked up to instead of the present eight per cent.

Thirdly: The number of Paymaster-Lieutenants in the Writer and Supply branches will be increased by five in each branch over and above the normal eight per cent.

Fourthly: The establishment of Warrant cooks and above will be increased to three Lieutenants, four Commissioned Cooks, and thirteen Warrant Cooks.

Fifthly: As from April 1, next, Warrant Officers and Commissioned Officers from Warrant rank performing the dual duties of Gunner and Gunner (T) in Destroyers of running flotillas will be granted an allowance of 1s. a day.

Sixthly: As from April 1, next, the present Wardroom allowance for Warrant Officers will be increased from 1s. 6d. to 1s. 10d.

Seventhly: The present uniform allowance of £50 payable to newly promoted Warrant Officers will be increased to £70 for all such Officers promoted on or after April 1, next.

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LIFE IN BRITAIN—1938

Close-up
of a
MINING
TOWN

A TOWN where the women look older than they are: Where four families out of five live on less than £2 10s. a week:

Where couples have been courting for years and years but have never had the money to marry:

Where some people have never lost their courage and energy.

That is the urban district of Nantyglo and Blaina, a mining town in Monmouthshire, where 40 per cent. of the insured workers are unemployed.

Just what is everyday life like in such a town? What do people do? How do they keep up their spirits? Last summer a man went there to ask them questions. His name was Philip Massey and he went into home after home making simple direct inquiries about the way in which the families there—employed and unemployed—live.

He publishes his findings to-day entitled "Portrait of a Mining Town" (price sixpence). Here are some of the things he discovered:

Leisure

ONCE there were crowds to dances, they put down is, at the door and dressed in their best. Now, even those in work cannot easily put down is, and many ask for tickets beforehand and have an account to pay 3d. a week for them. Dress also has changed, there is no "best" now, and girls rarely have new shoes or dresses. Very little betting is done. Most have no interest and no money.

About half the people interviewed had wireless in their homes, either the "plug in the wall"

(local relay system) or old sets of their own. The majority of people prefer "good" music. The local band is excellent.

One great need is a swimming-bath. The ponds in the district are increasingly used. Many people have been drowned in these ponds, which are contaminated as well as treacherous; dead dogs have been seen there, with children swimming within 30 yards.

The chief place for conversation for men is the club. Women talk mainly in their homes—and in each other's homes.

Religion

CHURCH and chapel attendances have fallen off greatly of late years and continue to fall, particularly where few social activities are run in connection with them. The number of women who attend is considerably greater than the number of men. The chief explanations given for the fall in attendances were:

- (1) Same general decline in positive expression of belief as in all parts of the country, plus effect of declining population;
- (2) No clothes decent enough for chapel;
- (3) General apathy arising from continued unemployment;
- (4) Social activities handicapped by absence of ministers.

One man said that the religion which exists to-day is more genuine and less hypocritical than in the past. It is interesting to note that despite the very great decline in church-going people do not like voting in local elections for a candidate who is an atheist.

Shopping

BIGGER shopkeepers in the town seem to find they have to give some short-term credit, even to unemployed people, to keep business, but most of the smaller shops seem to confine themselves nowadays to what is virtually cash trading. Many shopkeepers get into debt, which is not surprising in view of



... yet the people have never lost their courage.

the debts owing to them. One shopkeeper, who gave credit freely, like others in the coal stoppage of 1921, had debts of £2,000 owing to him in six months.

Some families got as much as £40, and even £80, in debt to a single shopkeeper. The shopkeepers know that most of these debts will never be repaid.

In general, the people owing such debts continue to deal at the same shop, and the old debts are recognized by both parties as dead and gone. Books are not often bought now; the cinema has hit this trade. People may look well-dressed, but behind this appearance is the denial even of necessities—for a good appearance.

There is no doubt that the net incomes of some shopkeepers are lower than their unemployment allowances would be.

Food

IN general, expenditure on food would be about £1 a week for a family of four or five with the head of the family unemployed and 30s. to 35s. where he is working. Fresh milk is absent from a large number of budgets and the average consumption in the district is less than one pint a day per family.

In many unemployed families the expenditure on food per person per meal was 13d.—on a four-meal-a-day basis. The County Council medical report for Blaina Boys' School last year showed that only 6.3 per cent. of the boys were "excellently nour-

ished" compared with 14.6 per cent. for the county as a whole. And 27.7 per cent. were below normal, compared with a national average of 11.3 per cent.

Holidays

HERE are some of the answers given to Mr. Massey by unemployed men when he asked them about their holidays:

"I never get away—not even odd trips. My wife goes now and again to Aberllynnydd by bus." "My wife took a day off to visit our boy in the Midlands last year." "I get a day out perhaps once a year."

"I never get out of Blaina." And here are some answers that he got from men in work:

"We get three days stop in August, but can't go away. All I can manage is a day at Barry." "We have had no holiday since 1910."

"I have never even had a day out since I was married. My wife saw the sea once, but the children have never been away."

Snobbery

MR. MASSEY went round asking people if they thought there was much snobbery in the town. Here are one or two of the answers that he got:

"Some people educated at the expense of the County Council are snobs. Those whose parents have made the big sacrifices are generally not." "Some teachers are snobbish and selfish."

"There is no snobbery here." "Snobbery exists among some teachers. Not the councilors, many of them are unemployed; and not the council employees, many of them are from the pits." "There has never been any real snobbery here. But before the War there was some snobbery. Now depression has made a difference, ending all this; all feel as workers now." Shopkeepers used to be tin gods; they mix much more freely with all sections in sport and social life.

Future

THOSE are the things that Mr. Massey has to say about the town as it is now. But what of the future?

Most people have come to see that so long as the present Government remains in office, the only hope for their children is transference to England.

But they know that that only makes the town more derelict than ever for those who remain behind.

Man after man and woman after woman told Mr. Massey that they wanted a Labour Government because the Labour man understood the distressed areas and because they had a plan for reviving them and not just abandoning them.

The policy of abandonment means turning Nantyglo and Blaina into a town of old-age pensioners. Already it seems to the visitor to be a place where there are no young men.

Much nearer home, at Preston-pans, we find the following epitaph:—William Mathieson here lies. Whose age was 41. February 17 he dies. Went Isabel Mitchell from Who was his wedded wife. The fourth part of his life. The soul it cannot die. Though the body be turned to clay, Yet meet again they must. At the last day Trumpets shall sound, archangels cry "Come forth, Isabel Mitchell! And meet Wm. Mathieson in the sky!"

Douglas Roxburgh

RICH
MEN'S
SIMPLE
MEALS

THE Kitchen Committee of the House of Commons is not happy. Like the average housewife, it is feeling the general rise in the price of food. But, more than that, its receipts are falling steeply. Honourable members are not indulging in such lengthy and expensive meals as they used to. More and more meals are being served in the tearooms, and fewer and fewer in the dining-rooms.

Since the Labour members grew in numbers the favourite repast in the "best club in London" is high tea. The dish most often called for is the homely haddock-and-potatoes.

As for the members of the Upper Chamber, they do not eat in the House to the same extent as the elected legislators, for the simple reason that noble lords generally adjourn in time for dinner. Sometimes, of course, there is a late sitting of the House of Lords, and then the lords require sustenance like anybody else.

And with what do they stay their noble stomachs? With oysters, truffles, and all the delicacies of the season? Far from it! The caterer for the House of Lords revealed some time ago that the most popular dish on these occasions was sausages and mashed potatoes!

Simplicity Preferred

It happens more often than one would think that people whose purses can command the most costly dishes in the world are pleased with quite simple fare. More, they seem to prefer it.

The Duke of Windsor, when he was the Prince of Wales, was the despair of his hostesses. They would put before him the choicest efforts of their highly-paid chefs; and he would turn away from them and ask for a slice of cold ham and some salad. Ham and salad is within the reach of everybody, but the Prince was quite content with it. At times the Prince would turn into a small club in the purlieu of St. James's, and order a plain chop from the grill.

The late George V was very fond of scrambled eggs at lunch-time; and he never had more than two dishes at any meal. British Royalty generally has shown a fondness for homely food. The Duke of Cambridge was quite happy with a pork chop; and King Edward VII liked a simple steak at times. On other occasions he would be rather more luxurious; and his steak would be well steeped in port wine for an hour before it was cooked.

It seems that dictators are just as simple in their repasts as hereditary monarchs. Herr Hitler seldom touches meat. He says himself that if he does not have eggs and salad he has salad and eggs. There is no doubt that the Fuehrer could indulge in the richest dishes that Germany can produce—if he liked. But, somehow, he does not like.

Signor Mussolini lives on macaroni, fruit, and salad. He also drinks milk in some quantity. Paste, vegetables, and milk—if Duce's table could scarcely be simpler.

Millionaire's Buns

The late Marquess of Clanricarde, who was a millionaire in pounds, not in dollars, was noticeably simple in his tastes. At times he would be noticed sitting in his Pall Mall club, contentedly eating a couple of buns out of a paper bag for his lunch. The Duke of Portland is one of the wealthiest men in Great Britain, but his Duchess has not touched meat for years. The late Rance of Sarawak, widow of Sir Charles Brooke, the white rajah (not the present rajah, Sir Charles Vyner Brooke) was also a strict abstainer from meat.

The Marquess of Cholmondeley, a very rich man, likes a plain grilled sole for dinner; but his finances could multiply indefinitely. Any manager in London's West End will tell you that some of the wealthiest men in the world will order a simpler meal than will some successful bookmaker or publican.

Some of the great men of the immediate past were very simple in their tastes. Even after his enormous success, Charles Dickens would revel in what he called a "red-hot chop" at his favourite inn on Hampstead Heath. Thackeray never could resist that very homely dish, boiled beans and bacon.

It is recorded that one night, when he was engaged to dine at some great house where he would feast on the finest delicacies, he happened to hear that boiled beans and bacon was "on" at the club, the Reform. He immediately sent an excuse to his would-be host, and enjoyed a solitary meal of the homely fare he so loved.

Tommyson loved plain roast mutton, "cut in chunks," as he once explained to a horrified girl who sat next to him at a dinner-party, and this simple taste was shared by his friend and contemporary, the statesman W. E. Gladstone. As for our modern authors and sages, we have the illustrious example of Mr. George Bernard Shaw, who, during his life on huls and truffles,

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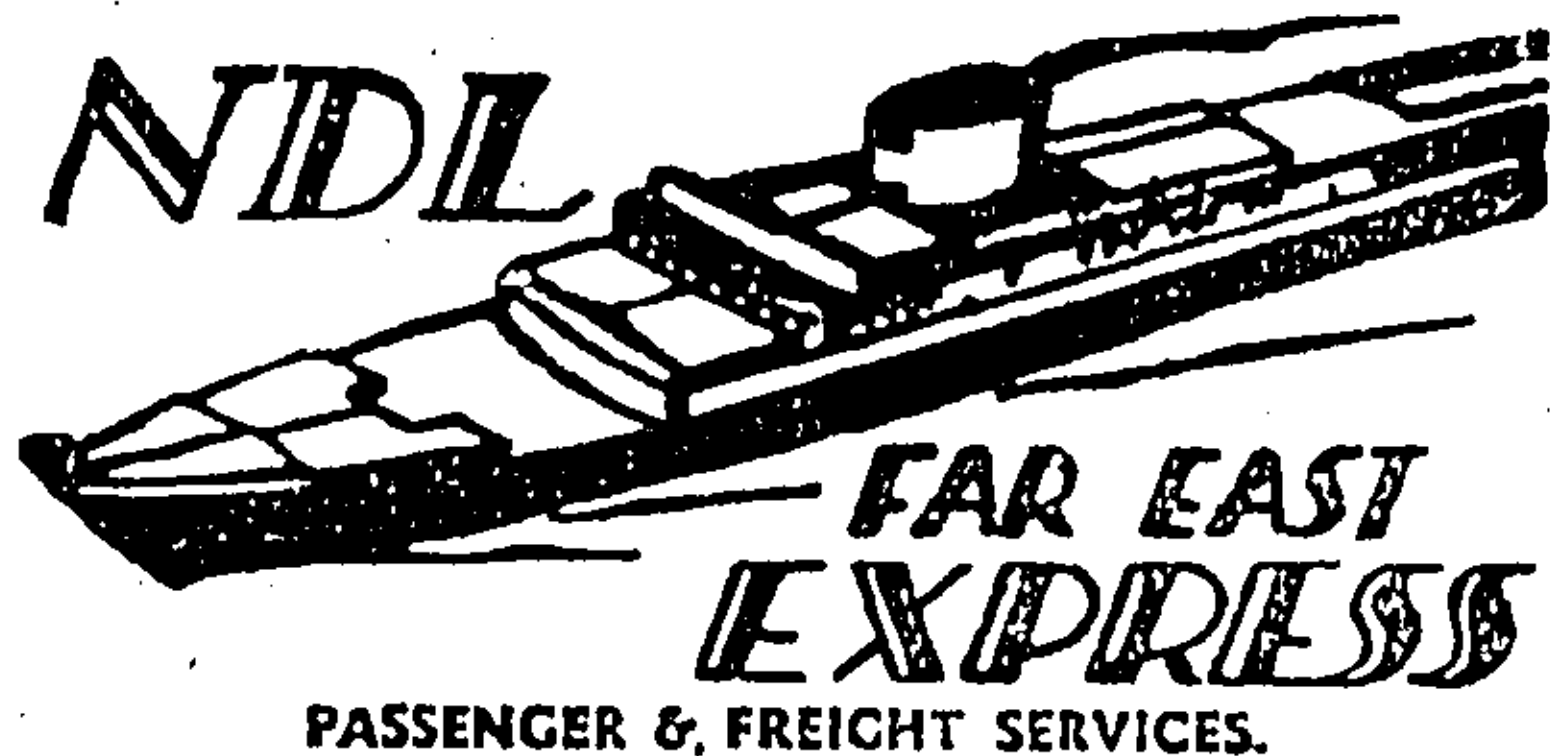
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RADIO BROADCAST

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(Piano); For Only You (From 'Let's make a night of it'); Can I Forget You (From 'High, Wide and Handsome')... Derek Oldham (Tenor) with Orchestra; Ich Liebe Dich (Herosen-Boethoven).... Kirsten Fliegstad (Soprano) accom. by Edwin McArthur (Piano); M'Almes Tu? (Fred Perry)... Tino Rossi (Tenor) with Orchestra.
8.00 Time Weather and Announcements.

8.03 Rossini—La Boutique Fau-tasse.
Played by The London Philharmonic Orchestra, conducted by Eugene Goossens.

8.30 Violin and Piano Solos.
Pastorale (From Bach's 'Christmas Oratorio')—Arr. Lucas.... Wilhelm Backhaus (Piano Solo); Fantasia in D Minor, K. 397 (Mozart)... Wanda Landowska (Piano Solo); Concerto in G Minor—Adagio (Max Eubank)... Louis Zimmermann (Violin Solo); Nocturne in A Flat Major, No. 3 (John Field: 1782-1837)... Frank Merrick (Piano Solo).

8.50 London Relay—London Log.

9.00 Variety Programme.
Theatre Orchestra—Venus in Silk (Selection (Stolz); Two Planes Four Hands On A Piano (Moreton-Kaye) with drums Midnight in May-fair (Newell Chase)... Ivor Moreton and Dave Kaye on two pianos with drums; Humorous—A Lot of Nonsense... Murray and Mooney with piano; Banjo Band—Temptation Rag (H. Lodge); Whistling Rufus (Mills)... Raynolds and His Band O' Banjos; Orchestra—Remember (Carroll Gibbons Looks Back)... Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and His Boy Friends.

9.30 London Relay—The News.
9.50 Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Grill Room of the Hong-kong Hotel.

(a) Tacos and Waltzes.
10.10 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W.

10.15 (a) A serenade to the Stars (b) The Big Dipper; (c) Shadows on the Moon (d) Bob White.

10.30 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W.

10.35 (a) I wanna be in Winchell's Column; (b) Be a good Sport; (c) Sweet Someone (d) Broadway's gone Hawaii.

10.50 Interval of recorded dance music from Z.B.W.

10.55 (a) Tacos and Waltzes.
11.10 London Relay—'England v. Scotland'.

A commentary on the International Rugby Union Football Match by H. B. T. Wakelam, from Twicken-ham.

12.50 Close Down.

TO-MORROW'S PROGRAMMES

Relay of the Choir of St. Joseph's Church

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10.0-11.0 a.m. Relay of Morning Service from St. Joseph's Church.

11.0-12.15 p.m. Relay of Morning Service from St. Paul's Church (Chinese).

12.15 Borodin—Symphony No. 2 in B Minor.

Played by the London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Albert Coates.

12.40 Songs by Feodor Chaliapin (Bass).

The Creed (A. Archangel'sky); Credo (from "Liturgia Domestica")—A. Gretchaninoff; with Choir of Russian Metro Church in Paris with organ, under N. P. Afanasy.

12.50 Sergei Rachmaninoff at the Piano.

Troika En Trainaux, Op. 37, No. 11 (Tchikovsky); Polka De W. R. (W. Rachmaninoff); Scherzo (Borodin).

1.0 Time and Weather.

1.03 Albert Sandler (Violin) and His Orchestra.

Black Eyes—Russian Impression (Ferraris); Souvenir D'Ukraine (Ferraris); Orchestra; Jealousy (J. Gade); Live, Laugh and Love (Theme Song, 'Congress Dances').... Orchestra; Remem-brance (Mario Meli); Grinzin (R.

Benatzky)... Violin Solo with Jack Byfield (Piano) and Reginald Kilbey (Cello); Fraszquita... Serenade (Lehar); Si Mes Vers Avenant Des Ailes (Hahn)... Orchestra; I Bring A Love Song (Theme Song 'Viennese Night').... Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather and Announcements.

1.40 Puccini's 'Madam Butterfly' Act II.

M. Sheridan (Soprano); Mannarini (Mezzo-Soprano); V. Weinberg (Baritone); A. Gelli (Bass); N. Palai (Tenor); L. Cecil (Tenor) and Mem-bers of La Scala Orchestra, Milan conducted by Carlo Sabajno.

2.30 Close Down.

2.40-7.0 Chinese Programme.

7.0 Song by Richard Crooks (Tenor).

The Holy City (Adams); The Star Of Bethlehem (Adams); How Lovely Are Thy Dwellings (Samuel Liddio).

7.15 Philadelphia Symphony Or-chestra.

Song Without Words (In A Minor, Op. 40, No. 6—Tchakovsky); Pre-lude In A Flat (Szostakowicz) trans Stokowski; Tone-Poem 'Finlandia'—Op. 25, No. 7 (Sibelius); Fugue in G Minor (Bach, arr. Stokowski); Choral Prelude—Christ Lag In Todesbanden (Bach, arr. Stokowski).... Orchestra cond. by Leopold Stokowski.

7.40 Studio—Piano Recital by Ray Glattemann.

8.0 Time and Weather.

8.03 Relay of the Choir of St. Joseph's Church with The Very Rev. Father Riganiti at the Organ.

1. Organ: Prelude (M. Vinas); 2. Choral: 'Miserere' (Rignati); 3. Organ: (a) 'Andantino (Erazu-quin); (b) 'Gentle Reproach' (Noniolo); 4. Choral: (Soprano and Alto); 'Spes Nostra Salve' (Rignati); 5. Organ: (a) Two Short Intitudes (Arriola); (b) Choral Basque (Urteaga); 6. Choral: 'Tul Nati' (From Perosi's 'Stabat Mater'); Soprano Solo E. Yuen and Choir; 7. Organ: Postludio on Perosi's Melodies.

8.40 Violin Solos by Yehudi Menuhin.

Double Concerto in D Minor (Bach)... accom. by Georges Enesco and Orchestra; Sarabande And Tambourin (Leclair-Sarasate).... accom. by Louis Persinger (Piano).

9.0 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announce-ments.

9.10 Military Band Music.

Air Varsity Sur 'Un 'hème Suisse (Molir)... Garde Republicaine Band of France cond. by Pierre Dupont; Amorette Tante (Gungl); Valse Des Alouettes (Drigo)... Band of H. M. Coldstream Guards cond. by Capt. R. G. Evans; Varsity Fair—Overture (Percy E. Fletcher).... The B.B.C. Military Band cond. by B. Walton O'Donnell.

9.30 Grand Opera Selections.

'The Bartered Bride'—Antanias (Smekina, arr. Fetner)... Symphony Orchestra cond. by Clemens Schmal-stich; Mon Coeur S'ouvre A Ta Voix ('Samson and Dalila—Act 2); Amour Viens Aider Ma Faiblesse ('Samson and Dalila—Act 2).... Gladys Swarthout (Mezzo-Soprano); The Queen of Sheba—Ballet Music (Goldmark, Op. 27)... Chicago Symphony Orchestra cond. by Frederick Stock; Morir! Si Fura E Belli ('Aida—Verdi); La Fata Pictra... Rosa. Fonselle (Soprano) and Giovanni Martinelli (Tenor).

10.00 Organ Prologue.

Prelude and Fugue In A Minor (Bach)... Dr. Albert Schweitzer played on the Organ of Queen's Hall, London.

10.10 Studio—Sunday Evening Sketches—The Bishop Of Hongkong on 'The Christian Faces the World'.

3. Forgiveness.

10.30 Close Down.

DAVENTRY PROGRAMMES

7.20 a.m. 'Will You Be Mine...?' Devised by Robert C. Stern.

7.50 a.m. 'Monkey Wrenches in the Trade Epilogue: The Bishop Of Hongkong on 'The Christian Faces the World'.

8.25 a.m. Recital by Doreen Davidson (Canadian Baritone).

8.30 a.m. Next Week's Programmes.

8.40 a.m. The News and Announcements.

Greenwich Time Signal at 8.45 a.m.

9 a.m. Bk Ben. The Lute Band.

10.20 a.m. 'Dancing Time' Flat 10; Helen Gardom; and 'Where There's a Will, There's a Way'.

will, by John J. Mellich.

11.30 a.m. Next Week's Programmes.

11.30 a.m. Bk Ben. The News and An- nouncements.

11.30 a.m. Recital by John McKenna (Tenor) and Peter Deavan (Violon-cello).

3 p.m. Bk Ben. 'Dancing Through'.

3.45 p.m. 'All Kinds of People—6: A Personal Memory of King Albert of the Netherlands'—R. C. Stern, with Emile Cammarie, c.m., Professor of Belgian Studies and Institutions in the University of London.

4 p.m. Frank Newman, at the Organ of the Regal Cinema, Edmonton, London.

4.20 p.m. The Glasgow Corporation Trans-port Department Pipe Band.

4.50 p.m. The News and Announcements.

5.20 p.m. The News and Announcements.

5.45 p.m. Bk Ben. 'Swiss Servitude'.

6.15 p.m. The Swift Serenade Concert Orchestra.

7.15 p.m. Recital by Tessa Deane (Soprano) and Doris Harcourt (Piano).

8.10 p.m. 'Dancing Through' with Gerald and his Orchestra.

11 p.m. Harry Fryer and his Orchestra, from the Clarendon Empire, London.

9.30 p.m. The News and Announcements.

Greenwich Time Signal at 9.45 p.m.

9.55 p.m. Recital by Tessa Deane (Soprano) and Doris Harcourt (Piano).

10.25 p.m. 'Dancing Through' with Gerald and his Orchestra.

11 p.m. England v. Scotland: A com- mentary by H. B. T. Wakelam on the international Rugby Union football match, from Twickenham.

12.50 a.m. The News, Saturday Sport, and Announcements.

Greenwich Time Signal at 1 a.m.

1.20 a.m. Gerald and his Orchestra in a programme of up-to-the-minute tunes and of melodies not easily forgotten.

2 a.m. Bk Ben. The News, Saturday Sport, and Announcements.

2.30 a.m. Recital by Adelaide Newman (South African Pianist).

3 a.m. Gerald and his Orchestra: A com- mentary by H. B. T. Wakelam on the international Rugby Union football match, from Twickenham.

3.30 a.m. 'In Town To-night'—Fifth Season: 15th Edition. Produced by C. Stern.

4 a.m. 'Palace of Varieties'—Licensee and Manager: Ernest Longstaffe.

5 a.m. The News, Saturday Sport, and Announcements.

Greenwich Time Signal at 5.30 a.m.

5.45 a.m. Recital of Popular Ballads.

6.15 a.m. 'Will You Be Mine...?' Devised by Robert C. Stern.

6.45 a.m. Dance Music. Ambrose and his Orchestra.

7.20 a.m. 'Palace of Varieties'—Licensee and Manager: Ernest Longstaffe.

8.10 a.m. England v. Scotland: A com- mentary by H. B. T. Wakelam on the international Rugby Union football match, from Twickenham.

8.40 a.m. The News, Saturday Sport, and Announcements.

Greenwich Time Signal at 8.45 a.m.

9.10 a.m. 'Dancing Through' with Gerald and his Orchestra.

10.20 a.m. 'Ice-Hockey in Great Britain'.

A monthly survey by Stewart Mac-pherson.

10.30 a.m. 'And So to the Gardens'.

11.30 a.m. Bk Ben. The News, Saturday Sport, and Announcements.

Greenwich Time Signal at 11.45 a.m.

12 p.m. Selections from the Gilbert and Sullivan Operas.

12.10 p.m. 'London Log'.

3 p.m. Bk Ben. England v. Scotland: a commentary by H. B. T. Wakelam on the international Rugby Union football match, from Twickenham.

3.35 p.m. Nedved's Balalaika Orchestra.

3.55 p.m. Bella and an Empire Service, from St. Paul's Cathedral, London.

4.10 p.m. Weekly Newsletter, Sports Summary, and Saturday Sport.

Greenwich Time Signal at 4 p.m.

4.15 p.m. Bk Ben. The BBC Empire Orchestra.

7.40 p.m. A Religious Service (Church of Scotland), from Glasgow Cathedral.

8.20 p.m. The Alfredo Campoli Trio.

8.55 p.m. England v. Scotland: A com- mentary by H. B. T. Wakelam on the international Rugby Union football match, from Twickenham.

9.25 p.m. Weekly Newsletter, Sports Sum- mary, and Saturday Sport.

Greenwich Time Signal at 9.45 p.m.

9.55 a.m. Opening Announcements.

10 p.m. Bk Ben. Irish Concert. William Carson (Baritone) and Jack Allen (Fiddler).

10.20 p.m. The BBC Military Band.

11.20 p.m. The Willie Walker Octet.

11.45 p.m. Weekly Newsletter and Sports Summary.

Greenwich Time Signal at Midnight.

12.05 a.m. Bella and an Empire Service, from St. Paul's Cathedral, London.

1.20 a.m. The Crystal Palace Band.

2 a.m. Bk Ben. Weekly Newsletter and Sports Summary.

Greenwich Time Signal at 2.15 a.m.

2.20 a.m. Pixie Ledes A fantasy by L. du Garde Peach, with music composed by Robert Chignell and played by the Leslie Bridgewater Harp Quintet.

3 a.m. Sandy MacPherson, at the BBC Theatre Organ.

3.25 a.m. Philip Marill and his Forum Theatre Orchestra.

3.50 a.m. Musical Interlude.

3.55 a.m. A Religious Service (Salvation Army), from the Congress Hall, Nicolson Street, Edinburgh.

4.45 a.m. Interval.

5 a.m. Weekly Newsletter and Sports Summary.

Greenwich Time Signal at 5.15 a.m.

5.30 a.m. Musical Interlude.

5.37 a.m. Sunday Orchestral Concert. Solomon (Pianoforte).

6.30 a.m. Epilogue. Lent—III: In the Wilderness—3.

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SHANGHAI MARKET SHOCKED

But Prices Recover When Early Reports Are Discounted

Shanghai, Mar. 18. The Shanghai Exchange Market received a rude shock yesterday when a Hankow message indicated that Thursday's application for foreign exchange totalling \$1,200,000, against which only £300,000 were allotted. However, the position substantially improved when a local check-up revealed that the applications totalled considerably less, while the allotment totalled approximately £450,000.

Leading bankers expressed themselves well satisfied with the allotment, and they quoted 1/2 1/2 for sterling and 29 1/2 for U.S. dollars for legitimate merchant business against importers' bills. Furthermore they were prepared to sell to their regular clients at these rates for small amounts up to £100.

Small merchant business and retirement bills were done at a rate for sterling of 1/2 1/2 for dollars at 29 1/2.

In the open market there were isolated cases of business done at 1 1/2 for cash, 1 1/2 for March, and 1 1/2 for April, although there were always buyers for this rate.

No business was reported to have been done in American dollars in the open market.

At the close there were isolated buyers at the foregoing rates, with more buyers of sterling at 1 1/2 for cash, 1 1/2 for March and 1 1/2 for April. There were no buyers for American dollars at 28 1/2 for cash, 28 1/2 for March and 28 1/2 for April.—Reuter.

CHINA TO ADOPT MASS EDUCATION

Latest Scheme To Aid Production

Chungking, Mar. 18. The Minister of the Interior, Mr. Ho Chen, is assuming office on March 21, and he has intimated his intention to intensify nation-wide mass education, including brief civic and military trainings in preparation for a possible general mobilisation.

Two million women in Kwangsi are being educated en masse in groups of 50 to 250 each throughout the province.

A Chengtu message says that three farm labour corps, equivalent in strength to three army corps, are being organised to develop the thinly populated and uncultivated areas bordering Yunnan and Szechuan for the purpose of increasing national production.

General Teng Hsi-hou is assuming the office of chief of the Szechuan Army Command to-day.—United Press.

U.S. TO GROW LESS CORN AND WHEAT

Washington, Mar. 18. The Agriculture Department to-day reported its intentions to plant 94,595,000 acres of corn, compared with 96,493,000 last year. It is estimated the spring wheat planting will be 22,282,000 acres compared with 23,750,000 a year ago.—United Press.

CHAMBERLAIN CELEBRATES 69TH BIRTHDAY

London, Mar. 18. Mr. Neville Chamberlain celebrated his 69th birthday to-day. He received shouts of congratulatory messages at Downing Street, including one from the King and Queen.—Reuter Bulletin.

Fine Trophies For Photo Competition

The Telegraph has pleasure in announcing that Messrs. Ilford Limited of London, have again offered two handsome sterling silver trophies to be awarded in connection with the Eighth Annual Amateur Photographic Competition to be conducted by this newspaper. These will be given to the competitors sending in what are adjudged to be the best and second-best pictures in the competition, irrespective of classes.

Enquiries have already reached us concerning this year's competition, readers are informed that the rules will be similar to those in force last year. Full particulars of which will be published in due course.

HOOVER SAYS WAR UNLIKELY

Confident Europe Will Not Fight

London, Mar. 18. Mr. Herbert Hoover, former United States President, interviewed in London to-day, said: "I have discussed certain matters with leading men in 14 or 15 countries, and although I am deeply conscious of the imminent menace of the present European situation, yet I repeat that I do not believe a European war is at all probable in the immediate future."

"When I speak of war I mean a general war. There are more combustibles than in 1914, but there are a good many reasons why it is unlikely that there will be a widespread war at the present."

United Press.

STOP PRESS NEWS

DIET TO DEMAND IMPROVEMENTS IN AIR FORCE

Tokyo, Mar. 18. Assuming the initiative, the two major parties in the Diet have submitted a joint resolution, urging the Government to "best every effort for the development and replenishment of civil and military aviation."

Immediate action in the matter is necessary, states the resolution, because the China incident has estranged international relations. The motion, which is expected to be passed unanimously when it reaches the floor on March 22, also urges the opening of new internal air routes.—Reuter.

PREMIER CALLED "PUNY" BY LABOUR LEADER

Birmingham, Mar. 18. Speaking in the Premier's own constituency, the well-known Labour leader, Sir Stafford Cripps, characterised Mr. Neville Chamberlain to-night as the "puny son of one who could be called courageous, however mistaken his views."

"A Premier who can say he has no information of fresh findings of Italian and German troops in Spain is fit only to be hounded out of office. Criminal inefficiency is an over-mild term to apply, because it will lead us all into the most tragic war civilisation has ever known."

United Press.

CONCEALED

SMALL-POX DISCOVERED

Surprise raids by Sanitary Department officials in Kowloon discovered seven concealed cases of small-pox in villages around Kowloon City to-day, and four more were found in Reclamation Street earlier in the week.

Altogether between 25 and 30 such cases have been found in Kowloon in the past fortnight.

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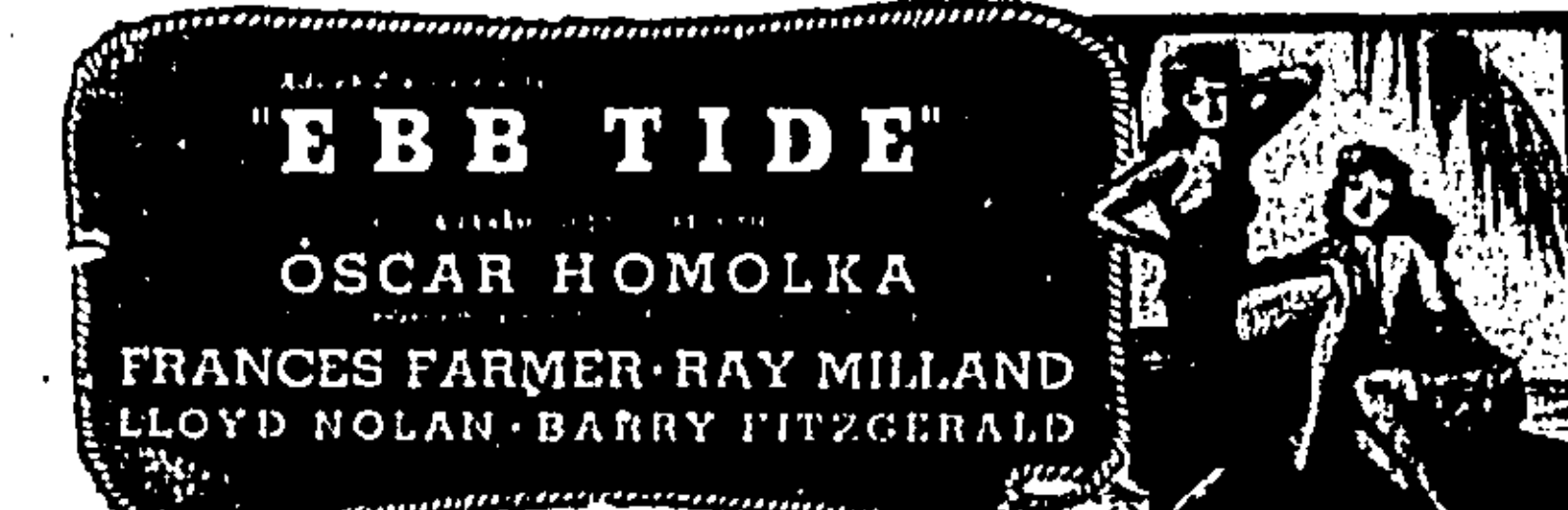
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His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint, provisionally, and subject to His Majesty's pleasure, the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson to be an Unofficial Member of the Legislative Council for a further period of four years.

REMAINS ON BOARD

Professor W. I. Gerrard, O.B.E., M.D., Professor of Medicine at the University of Hongkong, has been appointed to be a Member of the Nurses Board for a further period of three years.

UNOFFICIAL, J. P.

Mr. H. V. Wilkinson, D.S.O., has been appointed an Unofficial Justice of the Peace.

DEPUTY D.M.S.

Dr. J. T. Smalley has been appointed Deputy Director of Medical Services with effect from 1st May.

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